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ABSTRACT

To provide a planning tool for library improvement, the staff of the Northern Oklahoma Development Association (NODA) conducted a survey of the public libraries in its area. NODA gathered information from librarians and library boards on the development and status of their library, its problems and needs, and future plans and programs that might be used to meet these problems and needs. The NODA staff found that these libraries were attempting to upgrade and expand services to the public, but that they were hampered by financial constraints. Recommendations were made for increased financial and political support of libraries, increased resource sharing among libraries, continuing education for library staff, and the provision of adequate facilities. This report includes narrative descriptions of each library, arranged by county. Circulation and collection statistics, a list of library board members, and floorplans are included in most cases. Appendixes contain standards for library space and expenditures, plus Oklahoma library legislation. (SL)

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NORTHERN OKLAHOMA DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Board Member	Address	Occupation	Representing
Leon Redman	Goltry		Cities-Alfalfa County
Ralph Stover	Jet	County Commissioner	Alfalfa County Government
J.F. Walker	Helena	Cons. Dist. Board Member	Alfalfa Co. Cons. Dist.
James F. Burnham	Watonga	C.A.P. Director	Cities-Blaine County
Weldon Leisher	Okeene	Cons. Dist. Board Member	Blaine Co. Cons. Dist.
Tom Sailors, Jr.	Enid	City Manager	Cities-Garfield County
Jere Johnson	Enid	County Commissioner	Garfield County Government
P.E. Bolenbaugh	Hunter	Cons. Dist. Board Member	Garfield Co. Cons. Dist.
Andrew Swanson	Medford	Cons. Dist. Board Member	Grant Co. Cons. Dist.
George Diller	Nash	City Councilman	Cities-Grant County
Clifton Honeyman	Medford	County Commissioner	Grant County Government
Tom Hall	Blackwell	County Commissioner	Kay County Government
Loris McMillen	Tonkawa	Cons.Dist. Board Member	Kay Co. Cons. Dist.
Leon Nelson	Ponca City	City Manager	Cities-Kay County
Marion O. Caldwell	Dover	Cons. Dist. Board Member	Kingfisher Co. Cons. Dist.
Bill Lightle	Kingfisher	County Commissioner	Kingfisher Co. Government
Joe Hickey	Hennessey	Vice-Mayor	Cities-Kingfisher County
Charles Bowman	Fairview	County Commissioner	Major County Government
Fred Detrick	Ames	Cons. Dist. Board Member	Major Co. Cons. Dist.
Walter Thurston	Fairview	City Manager	Cities-Major County
Mrs. Barbara Mason	Billings	Cons. Dist. Board Member	Noble Co. Cons. Dist.
Ray Waren	Perry	County Commissioner	Noble County Government
William Sheets	Perry	Mayor	Cities-Noble County
Henry Allen	Tonkawa	Chairman Tonkawa Tribal Council	Indians & Other Minorities
J.D. Phillips	Enid	Pastor Grayson Mission Bapt. Ch.	Blacks & Other Minorities

1975 PARTICIPATORY MEMBERS OF NODA

NODA - LOCAL UNITS OF GOVERNMENT WITH 1970 POPULATION

Cities and Towns

Aline	260	Fairview	2,894	Morrison	421
Ames	227	Garber	1,011	Nardin	135
Amorita	63	Geary	1,381	Nash	294
Billings	618	Goltry	282	Newkirk	2,173
Blackwell	8,645	Greenfield	143	North Enid	730
Braman	295	Helena	769	Okeene	1,421
Breckinridge	70	Hennessey	2,181	Perry	5,341
Burlington	165	Hitchcock	160	Ponca City	25,940
Byron	72	Hunter	274	Pond Creek	903
Canton	844	Jefferson	128	Red Rock	233
Carmen	519	Jet	317	Ringwood	241
Carrier	207	Kingfisher	4,042	Tonkawa	3,337
Cashion	324	Kremlin	200	Wakita	545
Cherokee	2,119	Lahoma	299	Watonga	3,696
Cleo Springs	344	Lamont	478	Waukomis	842
Covington	605	Longdale	331		
Deer Creek	203	Manchester	165		
Dover	405	Marland	236		
Drummond	326	Medford	1,304		
Enid	44,986	Meno	119		

Counties

Alfalfa	7,224	Grant	7,236	Kingfisher	12,857	Noble	10,043
Garfield	56,343	Kay	48,791	Major	7,529		

DISTRICT TOTAL - 161,817

Conservation Districts

Alfalfa County CD	Garfield County CD	Kingfisher County CD
Blaine County CD	Grant County CD	Major County CD
Central N. Canadian River County CD	Arkansas River-Kay County CD	Noble County CD
Cimarron Valley CD	Western Kay County CD	

EXPLANATION OF INFORMATION USED IN THE LIBRARY REPORT

The information on some libraries in the NODA area is not as detailed as other libraries. Inability to meet with some library boards and a lack of sufficient information available on some libraries caused the disparity in the amount and type of information available on each library.

The historical perspective of some libraries was not available and determination of problems and needs was not provided in some cases because the NODA staff was unable to meet with the respective library boards.

The additional information on the libraries which includes copies of by-laws, local ordinance, and other pertinent information was not available from every library.

The floor plans included in the report do not depict exact and detailed drawings of each library. These drawings are provided to present a general view of the library and its contents.

PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Public Libraries in the NODA area are centers of community activity. Many individuals, groups, and organizations have been brought together by the resource of these libraries. The Public Library in each community mentioned in this report has also provided a source of community support through its vital information base. With the assistance of local elected officals, library boards, and librarians, these public libraries have maintained community activity and community support. However, the following report will show that many of the public libraries in the NODA area are becoming an underused community resource due to greater use of school libraries, a large emphasis on radio and television, and a population that has become so mobile that many people do not read as much as they have done in the past.

This report on public libraries contains basic information on each library, libraries' problems and needs; and future plans and programs that may be used to solve problems and satisfy needs.

The information in this report was provided by local librarians and respective library boards, and the library boards provided the identified problems and needs through meetings with NODA staff.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The report on libraries in the NODA area is intended to be a useful tool. Some of the more immediate benefits sought by this report

are increased community support for libraries, interaction among librarians, increased knowledge about libraries for NODA staff, and increased impetus by local elected officials for the use and support of local libraries, both public and those in schools. It is hoped that the information collected from many meetings with local librarians and local library boards will assist other libraries in the state as well as the Oklahoma State Department of Libraries in knowledge and providing solutions to local library problems, needs, goals, and objectives. It is also hoped that the report will generate more interest, support, and greater use of local libraries.

The NODA staff desires to express gratitude and appreciation to all participating librarians involved in the provision of data necessary for each libraries' report. Many of the supportive staff in the local libraries provided assistance in collection of data and the enclosed descriptive floor plan of each library.

A special appreciation must be given to the respective library boards for their time and effort in providing an insight into their libraries' problems and needs, goals and objectives. Their involvement was a key to the content of this report.

The NODA staff is also appreciative of the assistance and encouragement provided by the Oklahoma State Department of Libraries' staff. Special appreciation must be given to Dean Doerr, Mrs. Virginia Owens, and Esther Mae Henke of the State Library staff who provided the initial coordination of this report. Dean Doerr has also provided continued coordination and vital support for this project. Without his maintenance of effort this report would not have been accurate.

Most of all, appreciation to the communities involved must be noted, since this report would not have been completed without their strong and enthusiastic support.

Louis M. Stackler

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Edward H. King

Edward H. King

Bob Davis

Robert G. Davis

LIST OF PUBLIC LIBRARIES

NODA AREA

Alfalfa County

Carmen City Library
Mrs. Anna E. Boyce, Ln.
Carmen, Oklahoma 73726
(Library no longer in use)

Cherokee City-County Library
Mrs. Eldon Berry, Ln.
602 South Grand
Cherokee, Oklahoma 73728
Phone: 405-596-2366

Blaine County

Geary Public Library
Mrs. Phil Richert, Ln.
515 N. Broadway, P.O. Box 173
Geary, Oklahoma 73040
Phone: 405-884-5466 (City Hall)

Okeene Public Library
Mrs. Roy Evans, Ln.
1 Block North of Hwy. 51 on S.H. 8
P.O. Box 365
Okeene, Oklahoma 73763

Watonga Public Library
Mrs. Ruby Cooper, Ln.
2nd and Prouty
Watonga, Oklahoma 73772
Phone: 405-623-7748

Garfield County

Garfield City-County Library
Ms. Jean Harrington, Ln.
120 West Maine
P.O. Box 3337
Enid, Oklahoma 73701
Phone: 405-234-6313

Grant County

Medford Public Library
Mrs. R.M. Drennen, Ln.
123 S. Main
P.O. Box 222
Medford, Oklahoma 73759
Phone: 405-395-2342

Nash Public Library
Nash, Oklahoma 73761
Phone: 405-839-2826 (Mayor's Phone)
(Library no longer in use)

Grant County (Cont.)

Pond Creek City Library
Mrs. Helen Hawkins, Ln.
105 S. 2nd
Pond Creek, Oklahoma 73766
Phone: 405-532-4915

Kay County

Blackwell Public Library
Mrs. Warren Bickford, Ln.
123 West Padon
Blackwell, Oklahoma 74631
Phone: 405-363-1809

Newkirk Public Library
Mrs. Linda Coffee, Ln.
7th and Main
Newkirk, Oklahoma 74647
Phone: 405-362-3934

Ponca City Public Library
Mrs. Jane Northcutt, Ln.
515 E. Grand
Ponca City, Oklahoma 74601
Phone: 405-762-6311

Tonkawa Public Library
Mrs. Martha Audd, Ln.
210 N. 7th Street
Tonkawa, Oklahoma 74653
Phone: 405-628-3366

Kingfisher County

Hennessey Public Library
Mrs. Etta Rothmire, Ln.
202 N. Main
P.O. Box 494
Hennessey, Oklahoma 73742
Phone: 405-853-2073

Kingfisher Public Library
Mrs. Louise Livingston, Ln.
117 W. Miles
Kingfisher, Oklahoma 73750
Phone: 405-375-3384

Loyal Public Library
Mrs. George Newer, Ln.
Across from City Hall on E. Main
Loyal, Oklahoma 73756
Phone: 405-729-4324

Major County

Cleo Springs Public Library
Mrs. Ann Parker, Ln.
South of Cleo Springs Cafe
Cleo Springs, Oklahoma 73729
(Library no longer in use)

Fairview Public Library
Mrs. Anna Mae Gould, Ln.
Broadway and 7th Streets
Fairview, Oklahoma 73737

Noble County

Perry Public Library
Evelyn Schmidt, Ln.
634 Cedar, P.O. Box 627
Perry, Oklahoma 73077
Phone: 405-336-4721

INTRODUCTION

Public Libraries have served the citizens of the United States for over 100 years. In its early beginning, public libraries were not maintained according to professional standards and criteria as they are today. The Public Library Association, in 1960, produced standards or guidelines for small public libraries. "Since two-thirds of the libraries in the United States serve populations of under 10,000 and that approximately 40% of the libraries in the United States serve populations of less than 2,500, it was the opinion of the Sub-Committee on Standards for Small Libraries that small libraries need some standards that will enable them to evaluate their present services and facilities and serve as a guide for their future progress."[1]

Most of the public libraries in the NODA area serve less than 10,000 population and are unable to meet American Library Association standards due to unavailable professional staff and limited monetary resources. For example, 75% of the libraries in the NODA area serve less than 10,000 population and approximately 37% serve populations less than 2,500.

Public libraries in the NODA area are predominantly small, but they serve a useful purpose in providing a source of information, leisure, and community leadership.

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[1] Robert S. Ake, Mrs. R.L. Riley, and others, Interim Standards for Small Public Libraries: Guidelines Toward Achieving the Goals of Public Library Service. Chicago, Illinois: American Library Association, 1962.

Every citizen in the NODA area has the right to good library service. In Oklahoma many citizens have no library service, especially in the rural areas of Oklahoma. In the NODA area, public libraries are not able to provide services to many of the area's citizens due to long distances and unavailable money for comprehensive services.

In Oklahoma many citizens have no library services at all while others receive minimal service. A library is a center of growth for a community and needs increased services and resources as the community itself grows. The growth of the state and the educational development of its residents are severely hampered by lack of available library services. When a library is not able to provide information freely, industry suffers, people fail intellectually, and society as a whole becomes degenerative.

It is hoped that this report will serve as an aid to the recognition of problems and needs of public libraries in the NODA area and that solutions may be found and used to address these problems and needs.

With the intensive support of local elected officials, library boards, and interested citizens, the public library can be made a strong focal point for many communities in the NODA area.

ALFALFA COUNTY

CHEROKEE CITY-COUNTY LIBRARY

The Cherokee City-County Library serves the entire area of Alfalfa County which contains approximately 7,200 people. The library was originially established in 1912 in a small structure located in the downtown area. The library later moved to the courthouse and then to the existing building which was built in 1930 under a W.P.A. project.

The library is open Monday thru Friday from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and on Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon.

The Book Stock as of 1974 includes:

Periodicals	154
Adult	12,727
Juvenile	8,604
Total	21,485

Present support for the library comes from both city and county sources. The budget is approximately $10,300 with fines and donations providing about 50%, while the city provides 30% and the county 20 percent.

The Cherokee City-County Library offers the following services:

1. Mail-a-book
2. Providing space for organizations that desire a meeting place
3. Copy machine
4. Genealogy resources
5. Summer Reading Program
6. Record player for the blind for playing talking books.

The library is governed by a library board that meets four times per year in the library.

The present members of the board are as follows:

Bruce Eckhardt - Chairperson
905 S. Penn
Phone (405) 596-3401

Mrs. Joe Monroe - Secretary
1216 S. Grand
Phone (405) 596-2442

Mr. John Biggans
902 S. Grand
Phone (405) 596-3144

Dr. John Blender
116 W. 12th
Phone (405) 596-2165

Mrs. Stella Jones
Burlington
Phone (405) 431-2512

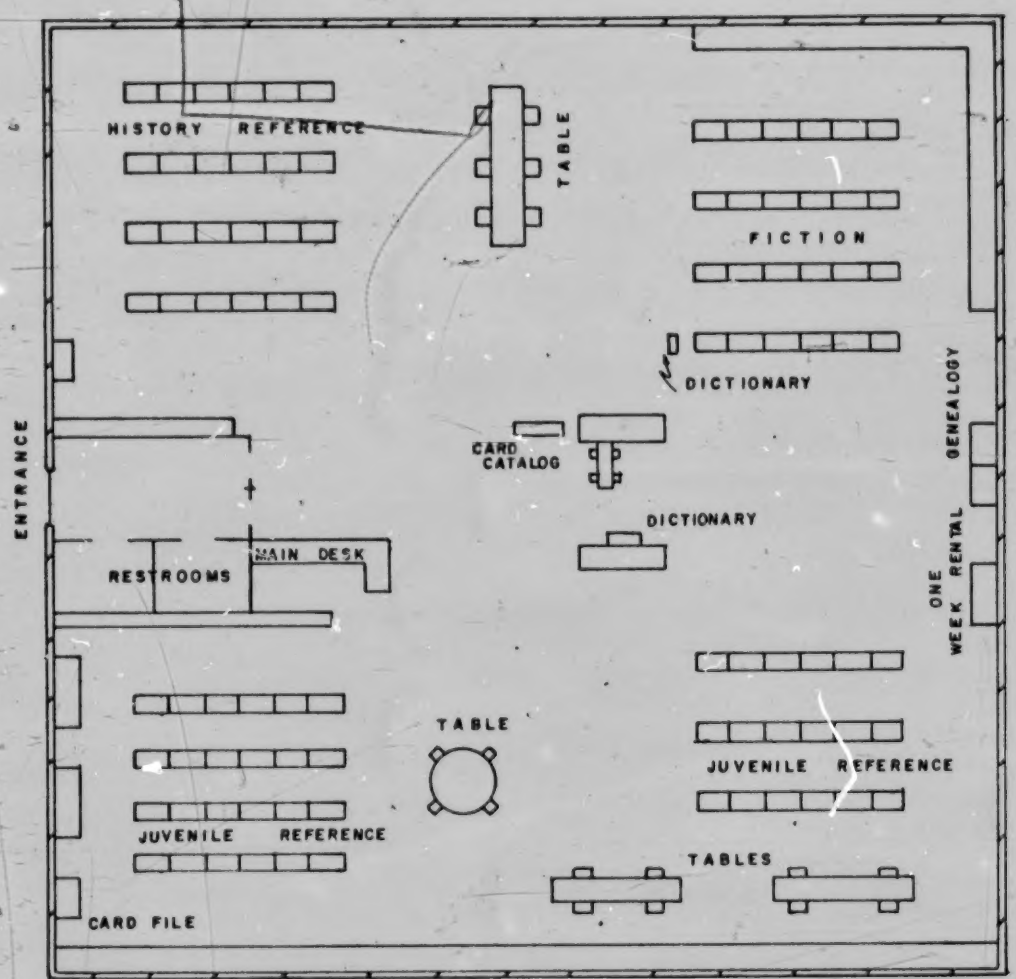
1 Vacancy

The library board identified the following problems and needs.

A. Problems
1. Maintenance of building is very difficult due to excessive costs.
2. Many areas of the library are not provided with adequate lighting.

B. Needs
1. Expand services to the elderly
2. Provide services to shut-ins
3. Provide microfilm services
4. Utilize a bookmobile to provide services to small communities outside the county seat
5. Increase the budget
6. Provide additional lighting inside library
7. Additional books are needed, especially best sellers and expansion of other topical areas
8. Need films for youth
9. 16 M M film projector

The librarian stated that the OTIS program is most helpful when she needs it and that the District Library System appears to have many programs that the service population desires and that the library system can offer many more programs than an individual library is able to provide because of the reduced cost of services.



CHEROKEE CITY LIBRARY

(Dimensions unknown)

1,800 SQ FT.

BLAINE COUNTY

GEARY PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Geary Public Library serves an area which includes the towns of Greenfield, Hinton, Hydro, Geary, and Calumet which contains approximately 1,000 people. The historical perspective of the library is not known at this time.

The library is open on Wednesdays from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., on Fridays from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Saturday mornings from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon.

The Book Stock as of 1974 totals 10,000 and specific numbers of adult and juvenile books were unavailable at this time.

Present support for the library comes from the city of Geary which provides $2,500 and gifts and donations which total $150.

There are no specific programs offered by the library due to the lack of financial support.

The library is governed by a board that meets when necessary to consider appropriate business. The present members of the board are as follows:

Mrs. E. F. Milligan, President
609 North Blaine
Phone (405) 884-2451

Mrs. Clara Roach, Secretary
313 North Canadian
Phone (405) 884-2484

Mrs. James Hankla
522 North Cheyenne
Phone (405) 884-5482

Mr. U. H. Warner
323 North Arapahoe
Phone (405) 884-5443

Mrs. Arthur White
S. Blaine
Phone (405) 884-2307

The NODA staff was not able to meet with the library board to gain an adequate identification of problems and needs. However, financing the library seems to be a very serious problem.

OKEENE PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Okeene Public Library serves the city of Okeene and surrounding rural areas which contains approximately 3,000 people. The Okeene Public Library was started by the home demonstration clubs in the 1930's and was opened a few days per week until the new library building was completed in November of 1973. Since that time the library has remained open six days a week from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The Book Stock as of 1974 includes:

Adult	2,172
Juvenile	1,485
Total	3,657

Present support for the library comes from the city which pays for salaries and utilities and an unknown amount is derived from fines and donations.

The Okeene Public Library offers a summer reading program and story hour, books, magazines, and records to the local nursing home and to other shut-ins in the community.

The library is governed by a board which meets when necessary to consider appropriate business. The present members of the board are as

follows:

Mrs. B. D. Dotter, Chairperson
702 North 3rd
Phone (405) 822-3394

Mrs. James Durham, Vice Chairperson
401 South 5th
Phone (405) 822-3549

Mrs. Emma Osmus, Treasurer
Phone (405) 822-4668

Mrs. Fred Winters
222 North 6th
Phone (405) 822-3435

The NODA staff was not able to meet with the library board to gain an adequate identification of problems and needs.

WATONGA PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Watonga Public Library serves the entire Blaine County area which contains approximately 12,000 people.

The Watonga Public Library, for many years, was in a small room at the county courthouse. The women's club of the city were the prime sponsors. The Boy Scouts were instrumental in collecting used books for the shelves. The women's club provided ice cream socials to raise funds for the library and they served as volunteer librarians. Mr. Simonds, in whose office the library shared quarters was secretary. In or about 1929 the library became a municipal library and was moved to the city hall. It then boasted an entire room of its own, containing approximately 600 sq. feet. Mrs. Mary Sue Thomas was the first regular librarian. She had taken office two or three years prior to this time.

The library is open Monday thru Friday from 1:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and on Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. during that part of the year when school is in session. During the summer the library is open Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

The Book Stock as of 1974 includes:

Adult	10,800
Juvenile	
a. Fiction	4,101
b. Paperbacks	2,000
Total	16,901

The library also contains 46 magazine subscriptions and 155 bound volumes.

The librarian stated the following comparisons:

Books in Library	April, 1958	6,429
Books in Library	April, 1975	16,910
Circulation	April, 1958	10,206
Circulation	April, 1975	34,816

From April 1973 to 1974, this circulation increased 5,119.

In 1958 the library took 8 subscriptions. In 1975 the library takes 46 subscriptions.

Patrons registered in 1958 - 475. Patrons registered in 1975 - 1,177.

Present support for the library comes from the city in the amount of $19,352.

Salaries and wages account for $14,152 or 73.1 percent of the total and books account for $4,200 or 26.9 percent of the total.

The librarian stated that the total budget has increased approximately 13 times from $1,500 in 1958-59 to $19,352 for the year 1974-75.

In 1958 of this amount, $780 was allocated for salalries and $720 for books. At that time there was one part-time librarian and occasional hourly help.

In 1974-75 there is one full-time librarian and one full-time assistant, plus two part-time clerical workers.

The public library provides a summer reading program and story hour, delivery of books to the hospitals, nursing homes, and other shut-ins in the community service area. Cooperation with the school libraries is maintained.

The library is governed by a board created by local ordinance. (see attachment)

The present members of the board are as follows:

Valeska Wheeler, Chairperson
220 West 6th
Phone (405) 623-5376

Mrs. John Perkins, Vice Chairperson
807 Villa Drive
Phone (405) 623-5230

Pauline Sallstorm, Secretary
Phone (405) 623-7938

Mrs. Carol Wray
713 West 2nd
Phone (405) 623-5493

Mrs. Ivan Kelley
858 Mimosa
Phone (405) 623-7704

Mrs. Ward Dennison
820 North Forrest
Phone (405) 623-5506

The NODA staff was not able to meet with the Watonga board but the librarian provided an identification of the following problems and needs.

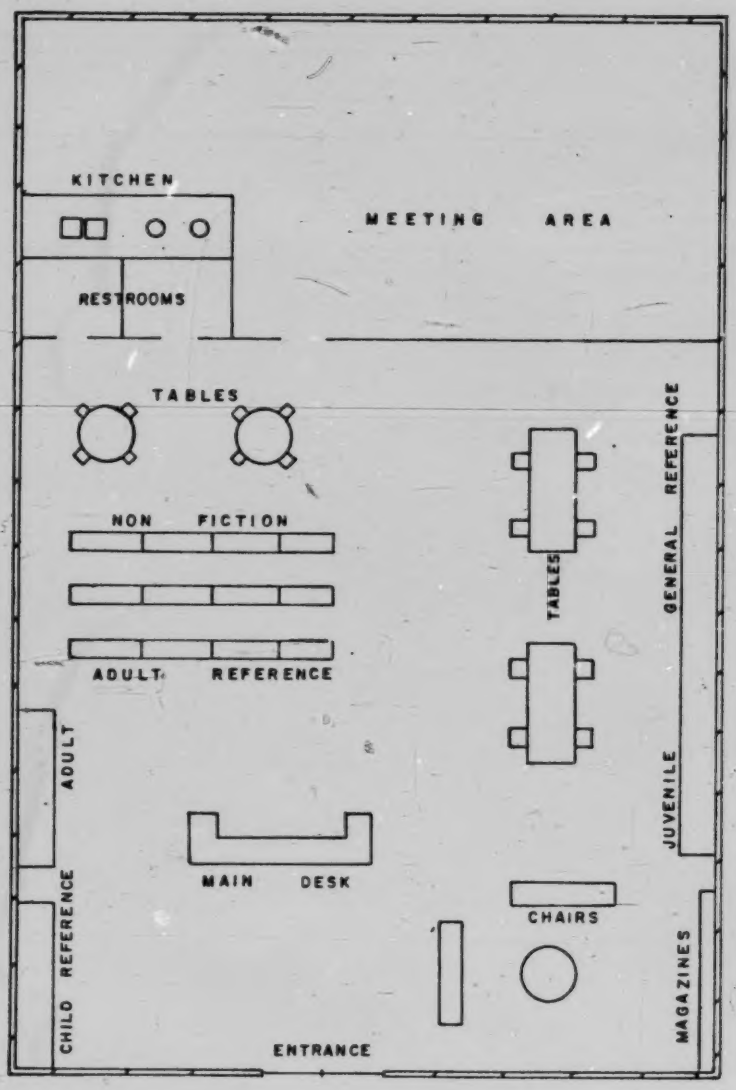
A. Problems
   1. Prior commitments prevent the library board from participating actively in the library
   2. Inability to hire minorities due to lack of money and time to train
   3. Little use of library card catalog
   4. Indian population does not readily return books that are checked out
   5. Financial constraints on purchase of audio-visual aids

B. Needs
   1. Expand services to Greenfield school, Hitchcock schools, and Canton schools
   2. Assist church groups in gaining library services
   3. Increased member and type of planned program
   4. Increase the use of volunteers to assist in the library's present programs and initiate other programs
   5. Increase arts and crafts program
   6. Initiate training in office practice for those who desire to work in the library
   7. Construct a community room as an addition to the library
   8. Encourage continued policy of elimination of fines. If a book is lost, the person is asked to give a used book to the library.
   9. Increase reading habits of the population through increased purchase of new books and a positive encouragement by the librarian toward reading
   10. An account of Blaine County history should be written
   11. Increase tours of the library, especially directed toward primary school students
   12. Initiate a scrapbook on the library
   13. Purchase phonograph records and tapes
   14. Encourage continued donations from people
   15. Maintain a steady circulation of books and increase of general services

The librarian stated that reading is very important and that if one person is helped then the town has spent the money wisely.

The policy of the library in regard to the limitation of types of reading material allowed to be provided to children and young adults is a very reasonable one. Adults are allowed to read anything they want. Young adults and children are screened. Those persons under 14 years of age are required to have permission slips from parents and the yound adult and children's section is evaluated on a regular basis.

The librarian was undecided about the concept of gaining the multi-county support for a library system. She believed that the Watonga library board seemed to recognize that Watonga is being served adequately and there is no need to vote moneys for services for the remaining portions of the county.



OKEENE PUBLIC LIBRARY

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2,675 SQ. FT.

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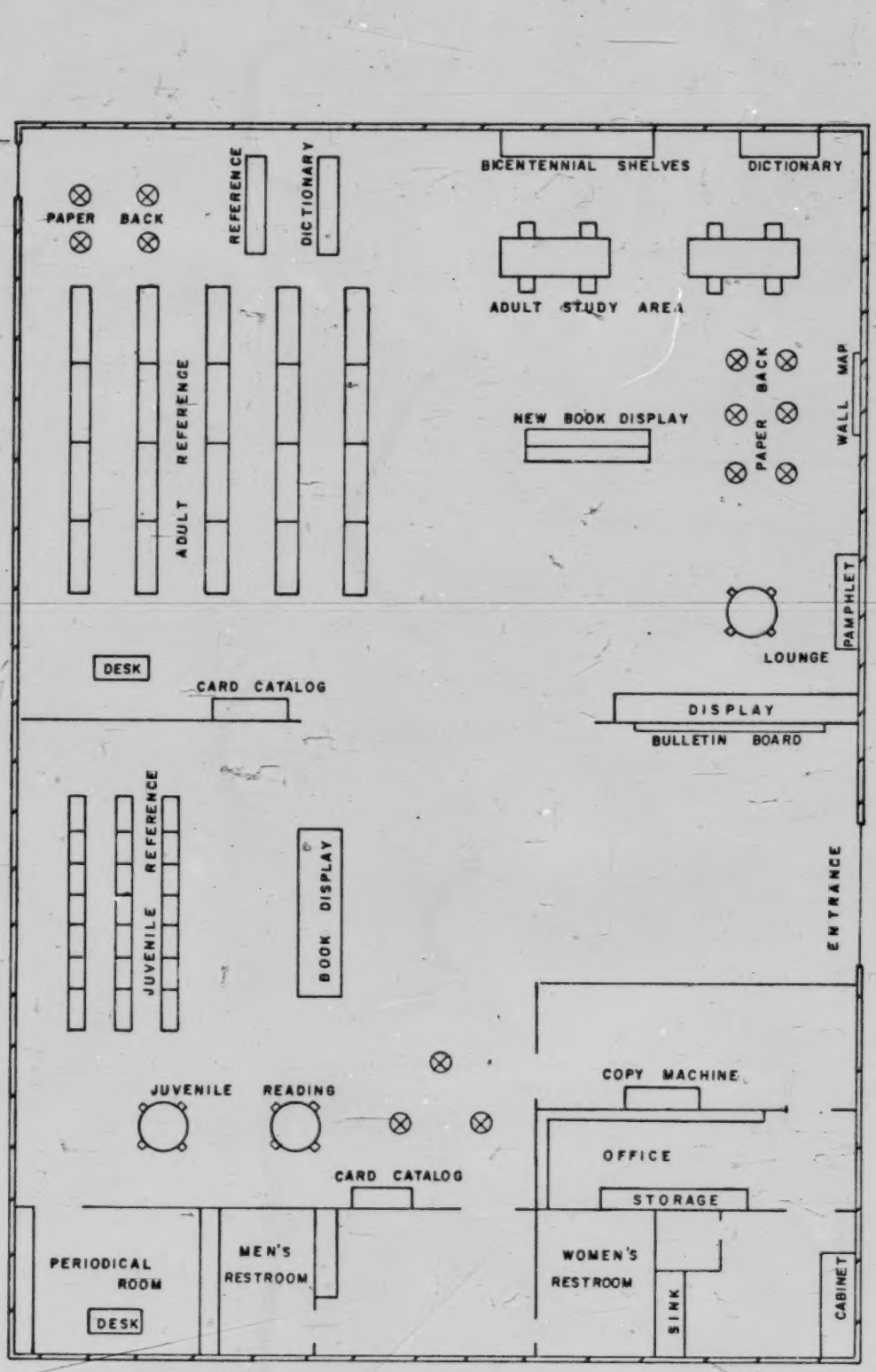

WATONGA CITY LIBRARY

4,851 sq. ft.

(Dimension unknown)

— GARFIELD COUNTY

PUBLIC LIBRARY OF ENID AND GARFIELD COUNTY

The public library of the city of Enid and Garfield County provides services to all of Garfield County and surrounding areas which contains approximately 60,000 people. The public library of Enid and Garfield County had its beginning in the year 1899 when a library was founded by the Enid Study Club under the founder, Mrs. Louise Lee Cromwell. The ladies who were members of the club made the establishment of the library a major goal. A reading room at 120 North Independence was opened and the members of the Study Club gave their time minding the reading room each afternoon. In 1905 the city of Enid accepted the responsibility of the library and the facility was moved to North Grand Avenue. The Carnegie foundation later provided the city with a grant of $25,000. The Enid Carnegie Library was opened August 1, 1910. Although there were difficult times for the library during the 1920's and 30's, the library continued to grow. In 1938, Mrs. R. G. Carl organized "The Friends of the Library" to make people of Enid more aware of the library and its services.

In 1959 the Enid Public Library and the Garfield County Library merged with the city paying 7/8 and the county paying 1/8 for the maintenance and operation of the library.[2]

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[2] Jean Harrington and others, History of the Public Library of Enid and Garfield County, (City of Enid, Enid, Oklahoma: 1974)

The public library is open Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Friday and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

The books in the library as of July 1, 1974 are as follows:

Adult	77,858
Juvenile	24,871
Total	102,729

Subscription to periodicals & newspapers 354

Adult Circulation - 1973/1974	111,313
Juvenile Circulation including Schools	206,418
Total	317,731

The financial support comes from the city 7/8, county 1/8, and fines and contributions.

City	104,747.89
County	14,744.52
Misc.	1,493.00
	120,985.41

The number of services and programs in the public library are numerous and comprehensive. These are listed below:

AUDIOVISUAL MATERIALS:

- Filmstrips
- Super 8mm films
- Talking books
- Microfilm (Census, Newspapers)
- Microfiche (Periodicals)
- Pictures
- Phonograph records
  - Classical
  - Pop
  - Teaching (shorthand, typing, etc.)
  - Language Arts
  - Foreign language with learning guides
- Cassettes
  - Entertaining (radio programs)
  - Talking books
  - Vital history cassettes
  - Language Arts
  - Foreign language with learning guides
  - Travel tours with slides
- Slides (Arts, tours, etc.)

OTIS Books borrowed 1,136
Books loaned 2,245

MARQUIS JAMES ROOM - 3,297 books and 10 vertical files.
Marquis James' Southwest Collection including original manuscript THE RAVEN.
Current materials on Oklahoma and Oklahomans
Books about Oklahoma, books by or about Oklahomans

REFERENCE Department
Telephone directories from all over the United States furnished by the Telephone Company
Moody's Special Library Service (Transportation manual, Industrial manual, Public Utility manual and Bank & Finance manual, Cumulative dividend record, Handbook of common stocks, Bond survey and Stock survey)
Standard & Poor's (Corporation records, The Outlook and Bond Outlook Service)
Mitchell Manuals (Tune-up service, Annual service data, Interchange service, Emmision control)
Commerce Clearing House (State Tax Review, Labor Law Guide, and others)
Institute for Business Planning (Closely held corporation ideas, Estate planning ideas, Real Estate investment planning)
Prentice-Hall (Executive report, Corporation)

GENEALOGY Section contains over 366 books and pamphlets as aids for those working on genealogy.
25 reels of censuses on microfilm

Microfilm readers in Reference area

Microfiche readers in Reference area

BASS COLLECTION - Books about World War II, these are purchased by Mr. & Mrs. H. B. Bass in memory of their son Bob Bass who was killed in Europe during the war. Over 226 to date.

SERVICE: Great Books Discussion Group
Service to the Shut-Ins, on request
Service to the Nursing Homes
Language classes if enough people request
Arts and Crafts workshop for the Activities Directors and Volunteers from the Nursing homes in this area. Held once a month
Grade school crafts classes offered in the summer
Winter and Summer Reading Programs for school age children
Story hour, winter and summer, for pre-school children

Traveling art exhibits
Year-round art exhibits in gallery, furnished by local artists.

Great Plains Meeting Room - 7,455 people used the Great Plains Room from July 1973 through June 1974.

Wheel chair ramp into Library

Elevator

The library is governed by a board composed of four appointments from the city and 6 from the county. The board members are as follows:

Owen Garriott
1301 Elm
(405) 234-5733

Edith Snyder
Covington
(405) 864-7462

Marguerite Gigoux
Carrier
(405) 855-2256

James Hoffsomer
Hillsdale
(405) 635-2310

Judy Anderson
2019 Indian Dr.
(405) 237-7156

Jim Yaryan
1705 Chickasaw
(405) 234-7839

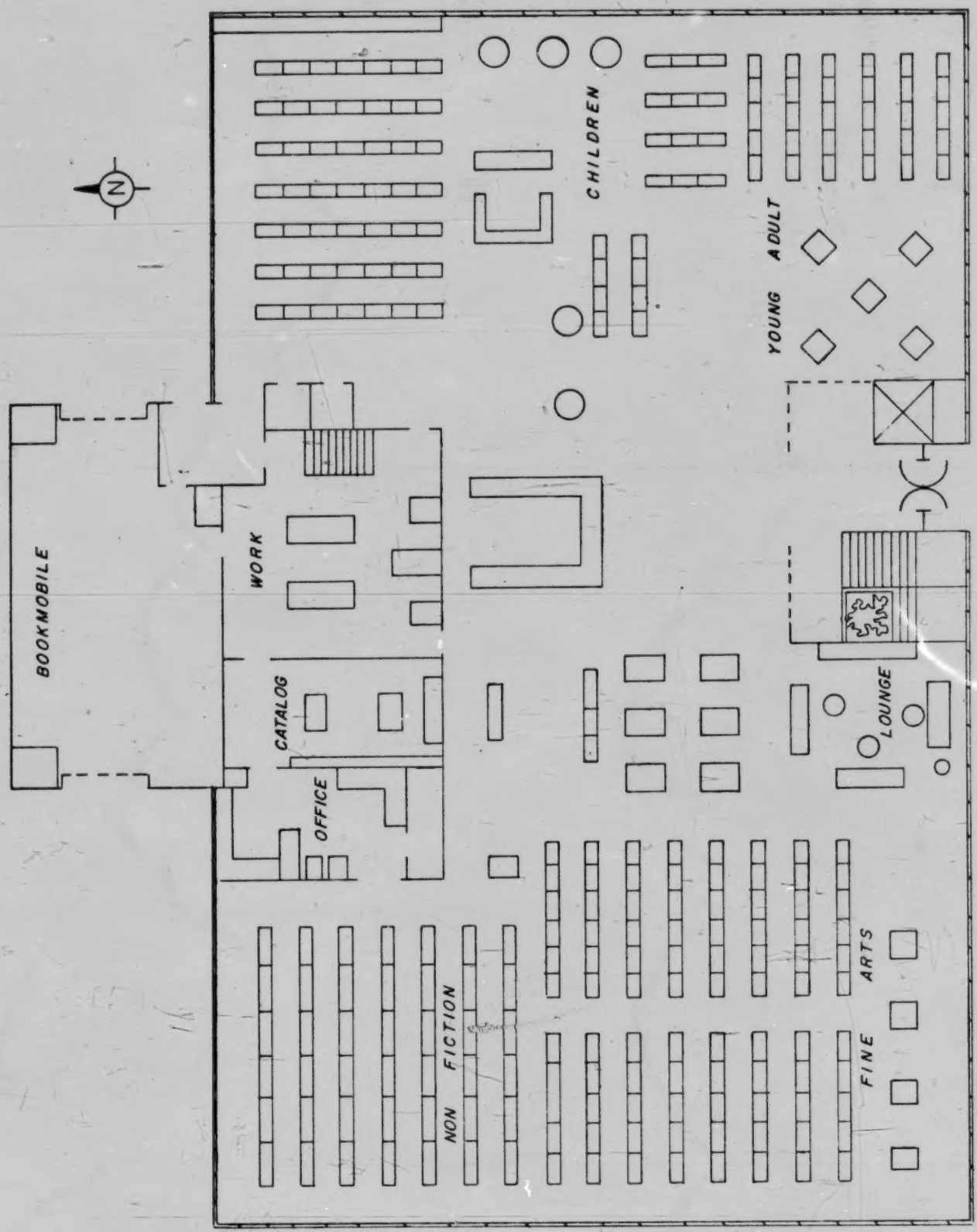
Al Aldrich
2517 Homestead
(405) 233-0033

Barbra Unruh
2715 Redbird Lane
(405) 233-3153

Meme Wheeler
1802 Chickasaw
234-9875

EX OFFICIO
Tom Sailors City Mgr.
1801 Mockingbird Lane
(405) 234-0400 (O)
(405) 233-1235 (R)

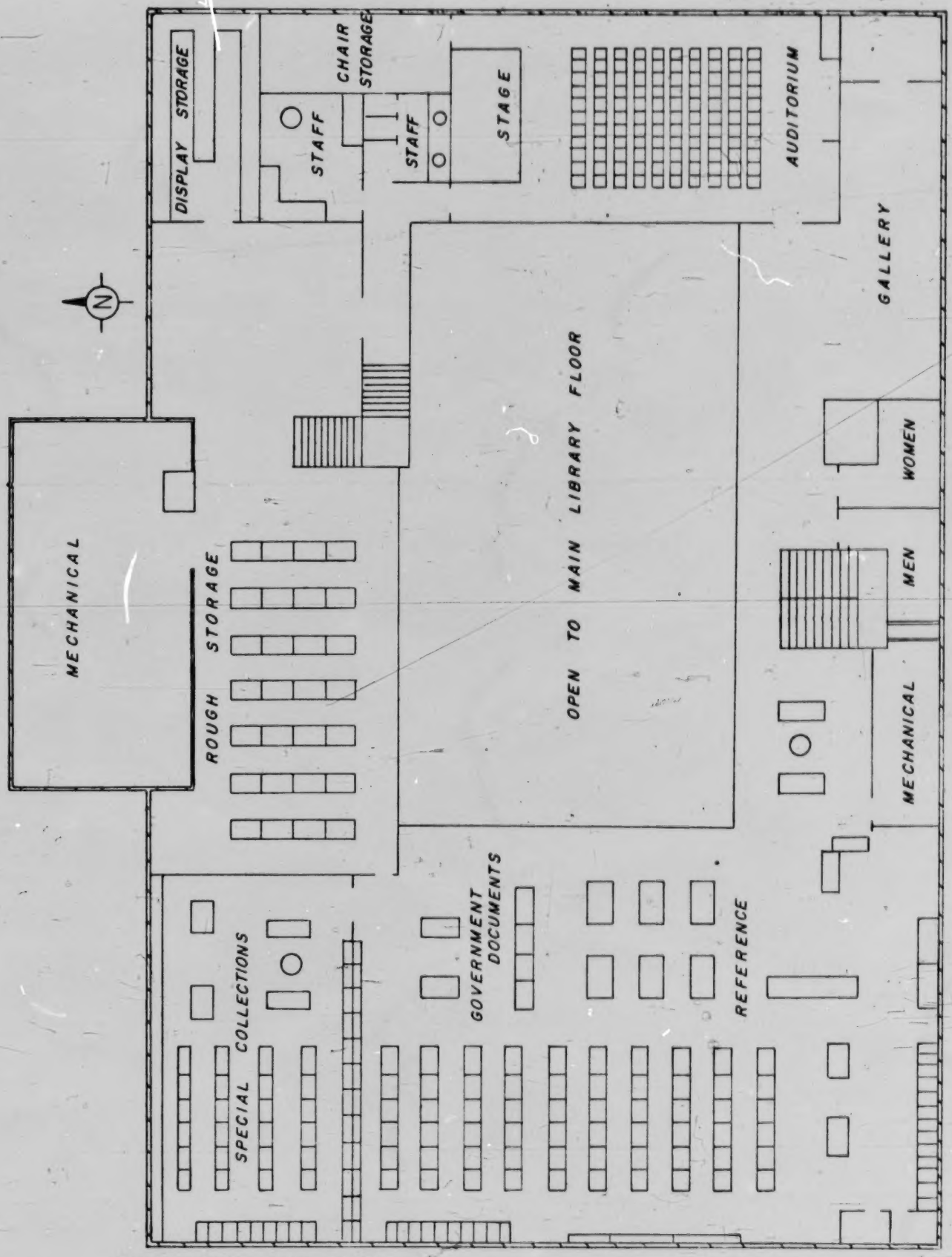
The library board has one major need and that is the initiation of expansion of the existing library facility.



MAIN LIBRARY FLOOR

PUBLIC LIBRARY OF ENID and GARFIELD COUNTY

24,000 sq. ft.



MEZZANINE FLOOR

PUBLIC LIBRARY OF ENID and GARFIELD COUNTY

GRANT COUNTY

MEDFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Medford Public Library serves the city of Medford and surrounding rural communities which contain approximately 2,000 people. There are also many people that use the library who live in Caldwell, Kansas, fifteen miles north of Medford.

The Medford Public Library was started by the Progress Club at the courthouse in 1933. The library was moved to its present location in 1958. Mrs. Drennan, the librarian, started in July of 1958 before moving to the present location.

The library is open from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday.

The Book Stock as of 1974 includes:

Adult	8,500
Juvenile	8,500
Total	17,000

Present support for the library comes from the city which pays salaries and costs in maintenance of the library and the county which provides $850 per year on books.

The Medford Library offers the summer program, OTIS, and supplies books to area nursing homes and shut-ins in the community. The mentally retarded visit the library once a month and the library provides assistance in reading and maintaining programs for their entertainment.

The library is governed by a board that meets on the last Tuesday of each month at 5:00 p.m. in the library.

The names of the board members are as follows:

Mrs. T. H. Hall, Chairperson
310 N. 6th
Phone (405) 395-2281

Mrs. Bob Keller
Medford
Phone (405) 395-2343

Mrs. Charles Sprague
217 N. 6th
Phone (405) 395-2164

J. C. Drennan, Attorney
523 E. Apache
Phone (405) 395-2557

Jack Stewart
207 N. 6th
Phone (405) 395-2013

The library board identified the following problems and needs.

A. Problems
   1. Lack of space for available books
   2. State law restricting disposal of excess and old library books

B. Needs
   1. A book sale should be initiated to reduce the number of books in the library. There are too many books due to an overload of donations and there is a lack of available space
   2. Implement a pre-school story hour
   3. Increase the amount of book shelves
   4. Construct a new building or transfer the library to a larger building
   5. Modification of state law is necessary on the disposal of excess and old library books
   6. Institute a nursing home reading program

NASH PUBLIC LIBRARY

Library is no longer in use.

POND CREEK CITY LIBRARY

The Pond Creek library serves the towns of Hunter, Nash, Lamont, Jefferson, and Pond Creek which contain approximately 2,200 people. The Pond Creek library began as a voluntary organization. The city began to support the library in 1957 until the present time. The dates that this refers to are unknown.

The library is open from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. The library does open for a few hours on Saturday morning for a children's story hour. The Mom's Club presents the story hour for four and five year olds.

The Book Stock as of 1974 is 1,000 volumes. The specific number of Adult and Juvenile books is unknown at this time.

The support for the library is provided totally by the city. The specific amount is not available.

The library is governed by the Pond Creek City Council. The Council meets to conduct library business when necessary.

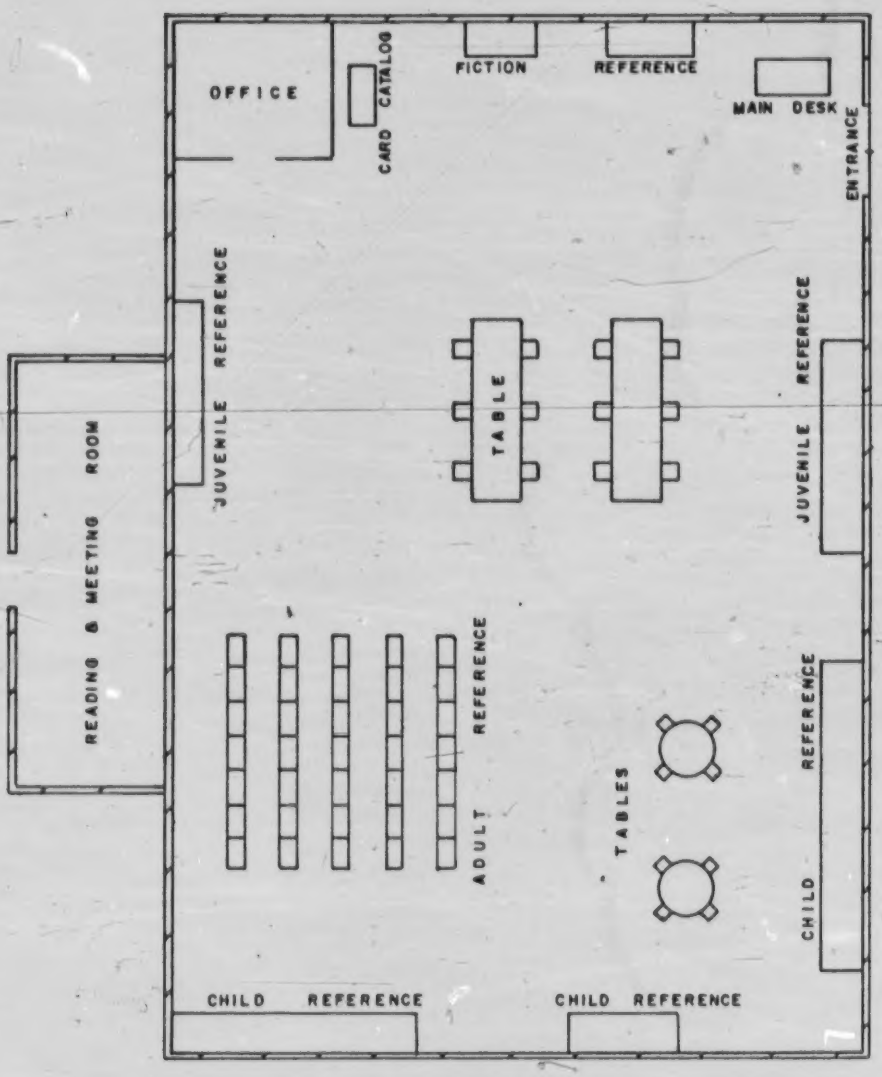
The NODA staff consulted the librarian for identification of the following problems and needs:

A. Problems
   1. Lack of adequate use by the public
   2. When using the OTIS program there is difficulty in getting some books back
   3. Inadequate lighting in the library. Most of the lighting is in the center of the facility

4. Lack of sufficient storage space for books. When books are provided free by donors many of these books cannot be taken.

B. Needs
1. Increase the source of lighting in all areas of the library
2. Purchase tapes, cassettes, and phonograph records
3. Purchase tape cassette player and recorder and eight track tape player
4. Purchase more of those books on the best sellers list
5. Increase cooperation with school library
6. Increase library space to accommodate civic groups and organizations that desire space for meetings and expand the library for increased storage of books

The librarian stated there was no real need for library service to shut-ins. She explained that neighbors usually take care of those people who are unable to travel to the library. She also noted that since the school library is well equipped there is a reduction by the community in the use of the public library. The librarian stated that there was no problem in theft or vandalism in the library and that most people are more apt to bring the book back to the library. There were many books in the library donated by families and groups and the librarian said that some are very valuable and would have been thrown away if the library was not available.



MEDFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

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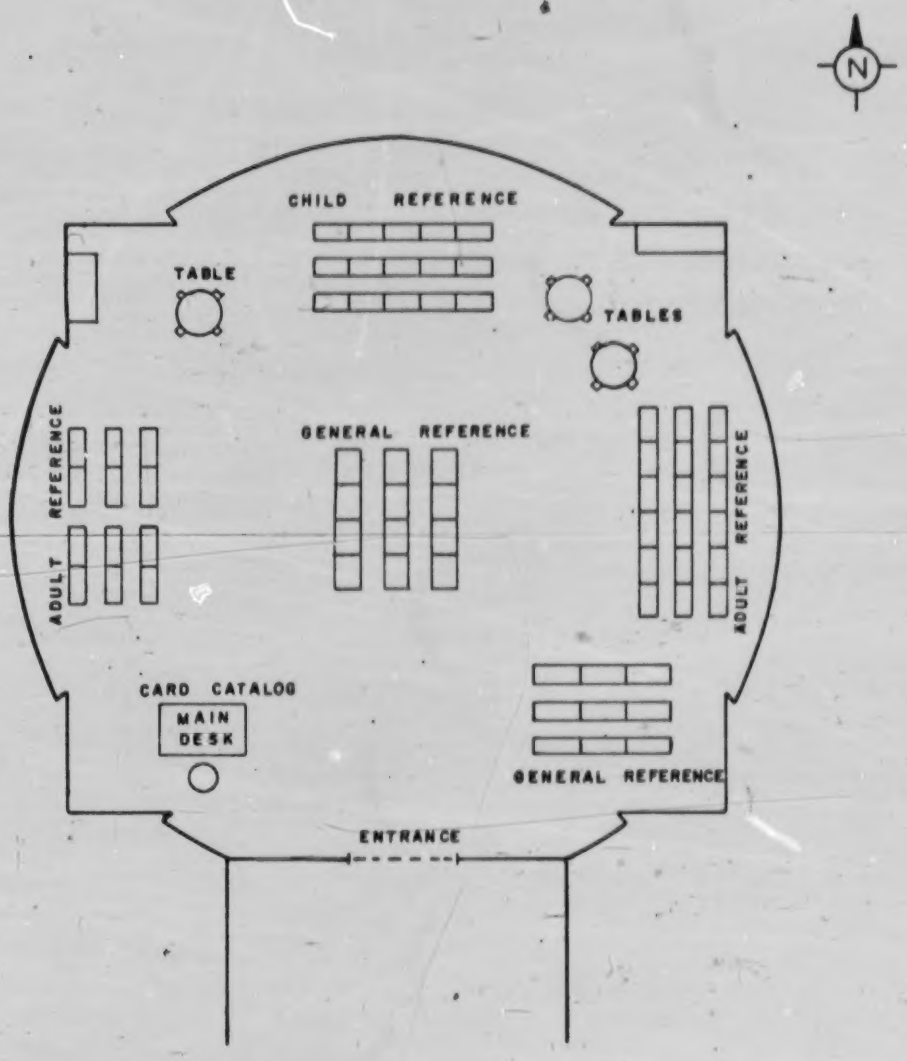
1,415 SQ. FT.



POND CREEK
CITY LIBRARY
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841 SQ. FT.

KAY COUNTY

BLACKWELL PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Blackwell Public Library serves the cities of Blackwell, Tonkawa, and the towns of Braman, Deer Creek, Nardin, Kildare, and other rural areas which contain approximately 9,500 people.

The library is open Monday through Thursday from 12 noon to 8:00 p.m., Friday from 12 noon to 6:00 p.m., and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

The Book Stock as of 1974 is approximately 30,000 volumes. Specific numbers of adult and juvenile books are not available. There are, however, 70 periodicals.

The financial support for the library comes from the city which amounts to $34,642. Gifts and donations are an insignificant amount of the total budget.

The public library provides many programs and services which include a summer reading program, film strip programs, puppet shows, a story hour for pre-schoolers, book delivery to the public schools, OTIS, art shows and workshops, traveling library exhibits, provision of space for organizations' meetings and a copier.

The library board meets the first Wednesday of every month at 5:00 p.m. in the library's Oklahoma Room. The members of the board are as follows:

Mr. Clyde Hukills, Chairperson
232 Russel
Phone (405) 363-2149

Mr. Hessel Purdy, Vice Chairperson
110 W. Ikerd
Phone (405) 363-3959

Mrs. Lew Howard, Secretary
1310 S. Second
Phone (405) 363-0583

Mrs. Orval Steward
507 E. Oklahoma
Phone (405) 363-0529

Mrs. Lloyd Cochenour
1112 S. Main
Phone (405) 363-0942

Mr. Bill Hicks of the present board will be leaving at the end of June and will be replaced at the next meeting in July of 1975.

The following problems and needs were identified by the Blackwell Public Library board.

A. Problems
   1. Mailing for OTIS is becoming difficult due to increased requests
   2. Lack of necessary audio and visual aids due to burdensome cost
   3. Lack of adequate space to accommodate increased donations of books

B. Needs
   1. Study the feasibility of the support for a multi-county library system
   2. Intensify cooperation with other public libraries
   3. Increased space for books and other library materials. The magazine section is in a small room and in the future will need additional space.
   4. Intensify cooperation with local school libraries
   5. Review the possibility of sharing resources with other libraries

The librarian stated that the city of Blackwell has supported the library significantly in the past and is the primary reason for the appearance and success of the library. The community also utilizes the

library's resources to a high degree. The NODA staff has found that the library in Blackwell is well-remarked for its exceptional service to the community.

NEWKIRK PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Newkirk Public Library serves the area of Newkirk, Peckham, and the surrounding rural area which contain approximately 2,300 people. The library is open Monday through Friday from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and on Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

The specific numbers of Book Stock were unavailable at this time.

The financial support for the library is not available at this time.

The Newkirk Public Library offers the following programs and services: a summer reading program, talking books, films and slides, delivery of books to senior citizens in the nursing homes and a children's story hour.

The public library is governed by a board. The following is a list of the members:

Mrs. Mary Yeary, Chairperson
704 W. 9th
Phone (405) 362-3977

Dorothea Yates
517 W. 10th
Phone (405) 362-3101

Sandra Cline
421 W. 8th
Phone (405) 362-3314

Nan Haster
100½ S. Walnut
Phone (405) 362-3316

Jana Shafer
220 S. Peach

Kay McCarty
701 W. 8 th

Mrs. Midgley Sr.
415 W. 9th
Phone (405) 362-2087

The board provided the following list of problems and needs:

A. Problems
   1. Lack of adequate reference materials
   2. Children's section is crowded
   3. Underuse of library due to increased use of school library

B. Needs
   1. Increase use of reviews of children's books
   2. Purchase Reader's Digest in large print
   3. Initiate a book sale to eliminate overcrowding in children's section
   4. Purchase Library of Congress cards
   5. Obtain a best sellers list on a continuing basis
   6. Purchase cassette recorder and player and tapes
   7. Purchase eight track tape player and eight track tapes or reel to reel tape player
   8. Gain support for the library from community organizations

The librarian and the library board expressed an interest in more assistance from the Oklahoma State Department of Libraries, especially in the area of library programs for the elderly and children. The library board is also very interested in providing support for recruitment of a physician for the town of Newkirk.

PONCA CITY LIBRARY

The Ponca City Library serves the entire Kay County and part of the Osage County area which contain approximately 60,000 people. The Ponca City Library is the largest library in Kay County and is one of the largest in North Central Oklahoma.

The story of the Ponca City Library is one of rapid growth, paralleling the growth of the city, which in 1920 had 7,000 population and in 1930 reported 16,112.

In 1904 when the town had only 2,000 population, the infant library was founded by the Twentieth Century Club. There were only 50 volumes in this initial collection, and the first quarters were a room behind an insurance office, given rent free by H.C.R. Broadboll. The club women were the volunteer librarians, and built their collection up to 500 volumes. These they gave to the city, when, in 1910, Andrew Carnegie was induced to build a library at Ponca City. The little building cost $6,500, and was a matter of great rejoicing, for this was really an achievement for a town of only 2,500 people. According to the state law in force at that time, only cities of 5,000 population were allowed to appropriate funds for the support of a library, but no one protested when a plucky little town overlooked this provision. The Twentieth Century Club gave not only the books, but also the lots upon which the building stands.

An oil boom started the city and the library on a steep upgrade. By 1922, the library had grown from 500 volumes to 5,000 volumes, and these again had doubled by 1926. By 1930, when Ponca City was the seventh city in size in the state, the library had 17,964 volumes, with the astounding circulation of 134,738, or 8.36 per capita. As may be imagined, the library was breathlessly crowded in the little building erected for a population of 2,500, and the matter of a new building engaged the library board's attention.

Ponca City had been fortunate in having generally excellent librarians. Miss Leah Buchheimer was in charge from 1913-1922. Mrs. B. G. Hays served

for a short time, and was succeeded by Mrs. Violet E. Kohler. In 1927 Mrs. Gertrude Kosmoski Sterba, a graduate of the Wisconsin Library School, became librarian, and is largely responsible for making the library a very useful and much appreciated factor in the life of Ponca City.

The new library,dedicated December 18, 1935, was built with the aid of a government grant and has adequate space for a community of 75,000 population. Nine school library stations have been established, and Book Memorials are encouraged. A Bronze Plaque records the names of those that have been honored with a book presented to the library in their memory. A Drive-up Book Depository was installed for the convenience of patrons.

Over the years every effort has been made to attract new patrons and to make the library an important factor in the intellectual and cultural development of the community--an information center for all. The library has a wonderful art collection of modern and Oriental art, a gift from Richard Gordon Matzene and also through his generosity the library receives a check each year for $1,295.00 for books.

Summer of 1963 the book collection has grown to 55,000.[3]

The library is open Monday through Thursday 9:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Friday and Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

The Book Stock as of 1974 includes:

Adult	36,000
Juvenile	19,000
Total	55,000

There are also 575 recordings.

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[3] Written by Oklahoma Library Commission as part of History of Oklahoma Libraries, 1932. Revised by Myrtle C. Randel October 1963.

The support for the public library comes entirely from the city which amounts to $93,000. Gifts and donations provide approximately $1,300.

The Ponca City Library provides the following services to include: four children's story hours per week, films, filmstrips, phonograph records, cassettes, microfilm, OTIS, outreach, services to the jail in Newkirk and the drug abuse treatment center, large print books, prism glasses, a Braille Bible for the blind, photocopier, and providing of books to nursing homes and other shut-ins in the community.

The Ponca City Library is governed by a library board. The members of the board are as follows:

Dr. Allen Robson (ex-officer)
3013 Canterbury
Phone (405) 765-9780

Mrs. Doris Jones
528 Virginia
Phone (405) 762-5240

Mrs. John Dew
800 Dalewood
Phone (405) 762-2961

Mrs. Ernest Trout
714 Red Oak
Phone (405) 762-8241

Mrs. Kent Phipps
2100 Garden
Phone (405) 762-4411

Mrs. Philip Brodie
2213 Mary
Phone (405) 765-3867

Dr. Robert Matthews
146 Whitworth
Phone (405) 762-5919

Mrs. Mona Sage
901 E. Hazel
Phone (405) 762-3921

The library board identified the following problems and needs:

A. Problems
   1. Vandalism to the building and some vandalism of books
   2. Lack of adequate resources to purchase films

B. Needs
   1. Increase the use of films
   2. Show films on a regular basis to the public
   3. Increased services, services which would be available through the multi-county system
   4. Children's section should be separated from controversial books

The librarian is very interested in the multi-county system but the board is not interested in proceeding further by giving the multi-county system extended consideration.

My thoughts on the Ponca City Library may be expressed as follows: The Law library is a small section of the library, is very comprehensive, and is maintained by the local attorneys. Most of the editions are not recent yet there are sufficient research texts available.

The library is utilized heavily and especially by children after school hours and during the summer, expecially during the summer reading program time. The children's section of the library used to be situated on the main floor and since its placement on the lower level, children and adults utilize it more frequently. Carpeting the entire library and the use of additional items of decor made the library more conducive to use.

The addition of a movie projector has enabled the librarian to provide various films especially for children. The summer reading program will be enhanced by the use of films. The lighting in the building is excellent, expecially in the Sequoyah Room. This room, because of its color and brightness provides a very conducive atmosphere to those who use it.

TONKAWA PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Tonkawa Public Library serves the area of Tonkawa, Lamont, Billings, and Marland which contain approximately 5,000 people. The public library was first established as a public school library and when the new high school was built the library was separated. The library was built in 1933 as a WPA project.

The public library is open Monday thru Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and from 12:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. The library is also open on Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon.

The Book Stock as of 1974 includes:

Adult	12,000
Juvenile	3,000
Total	15,000

There are also 100 periodicals.

The financial support of the library is provided totally by the city in the amount of $8,600. There are gifts and donations but these are insignificant.

The programs offered by the library include a summer reading program, delivery of books to senior citizens and to nursing homes, and a story hour for pre-schoolers.

The library is governed by a board which meets once a month on the third Tuesday at 5:00 p.m. in the library.

The members of the board are as follows:

Mrs. E. R. Weber, Chairperson
1009 E. Oklahoma
Phone (405) 628-2483

Mr. Melvin Korn
207 N. Barnes
Phone (405) 628-2370

Mr. Joe Marshall
329 S. 3rd
Phone (405) 628-3283

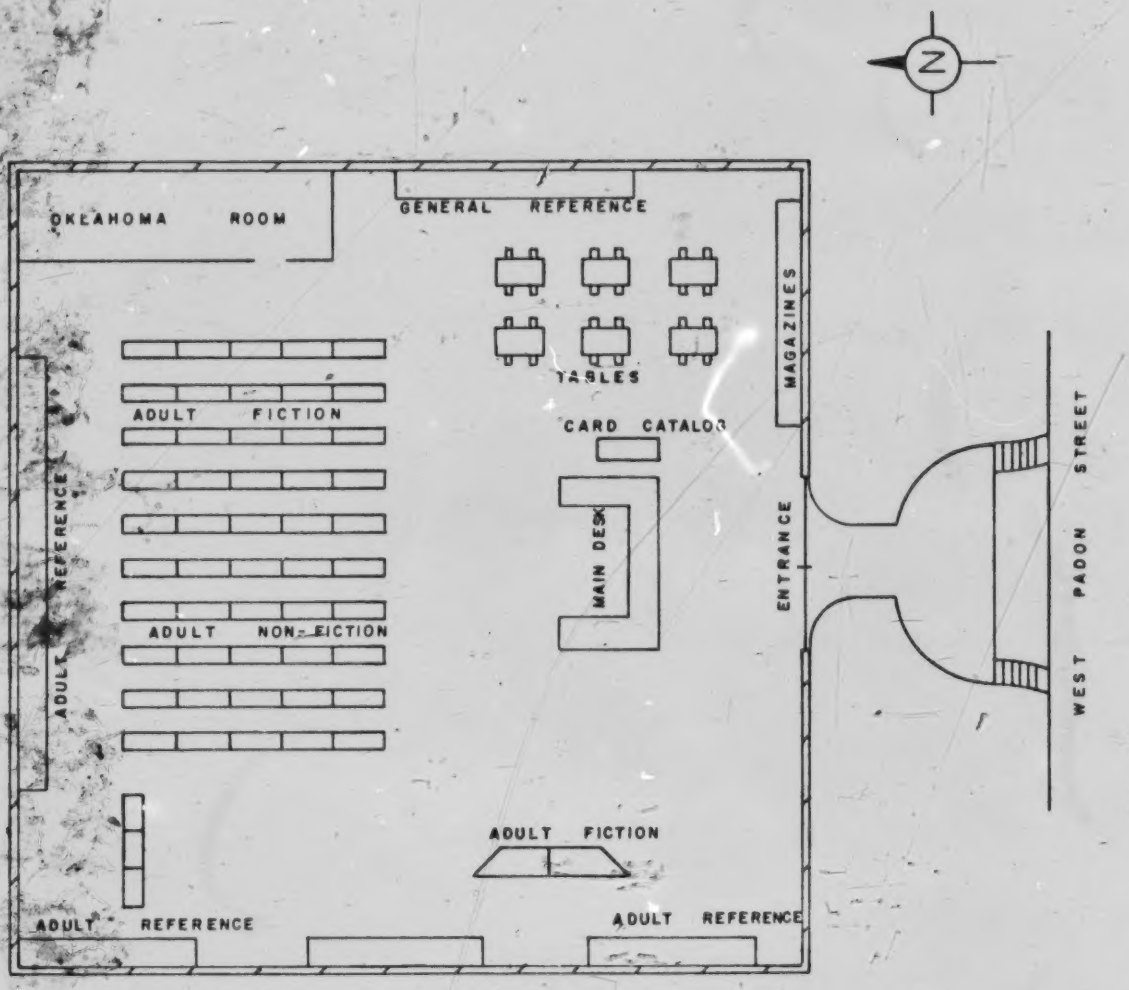
Rev. Keith Mackley
101 N. First

Mrs. Oscar Merrel
303 N. 6th
Phone (405) 628-2476

The library board presented the following problems and needs:

A. Problems
   1. Inadequate funding of the library
   2. Lack of adequate space
   3. Lack of comprehensive services

B. Needs
   1. Increase the space available in the library
   2. Gain increased support from community sources
   3. Increase amount and types of services
   4. Increase the publicity about the services offered through the library
   5. Purchase audio-visual materials
   6. Hire professional staff if library increases in services and space
   7. Gain possible support for a multi-county library system. Increase of taxes at this time is a major barrier.
   8. Provide service to the Tonkawa Tribal Community



MAIN FLOOR

BLACKWELL CITY LIBRARY

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9,752 SQ. FT.

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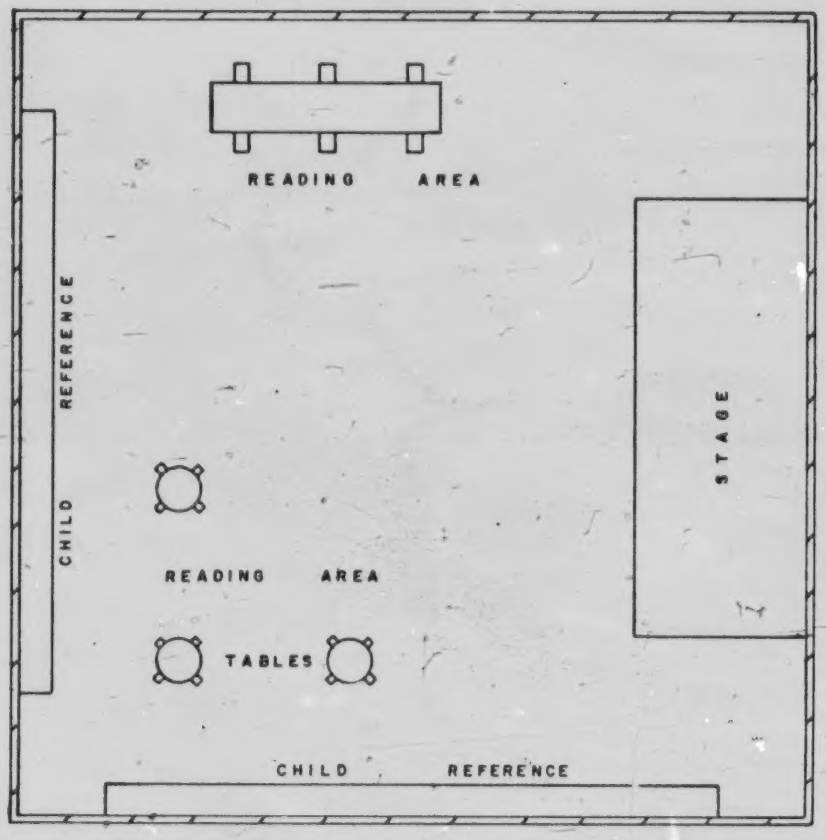

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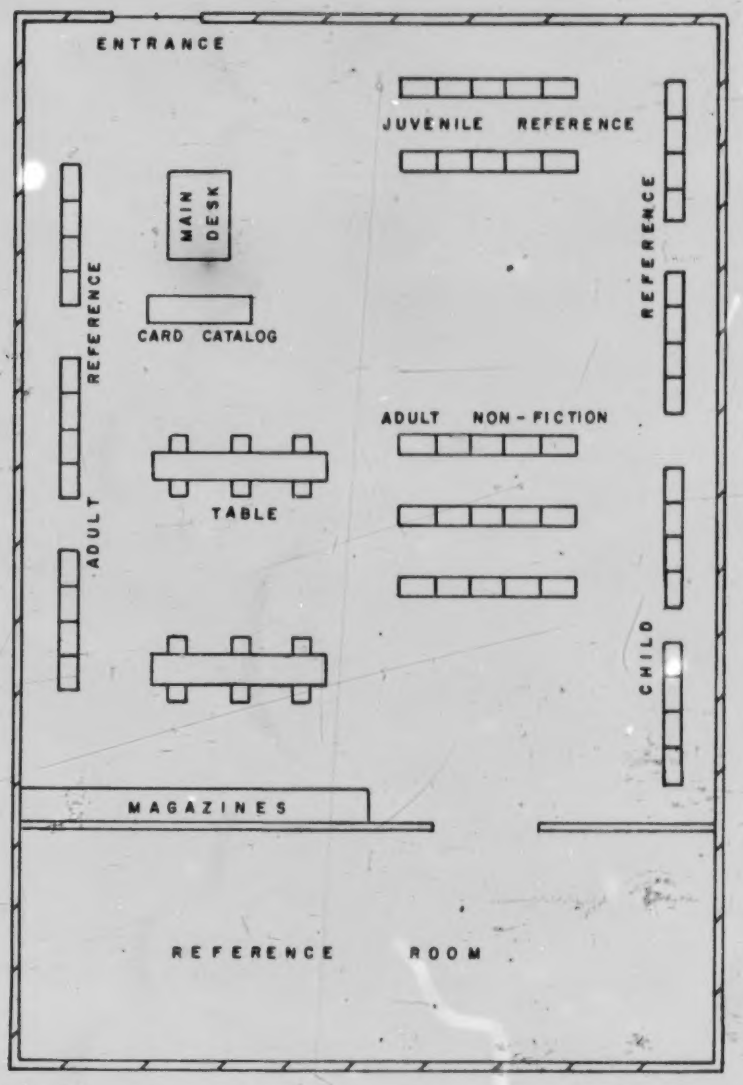

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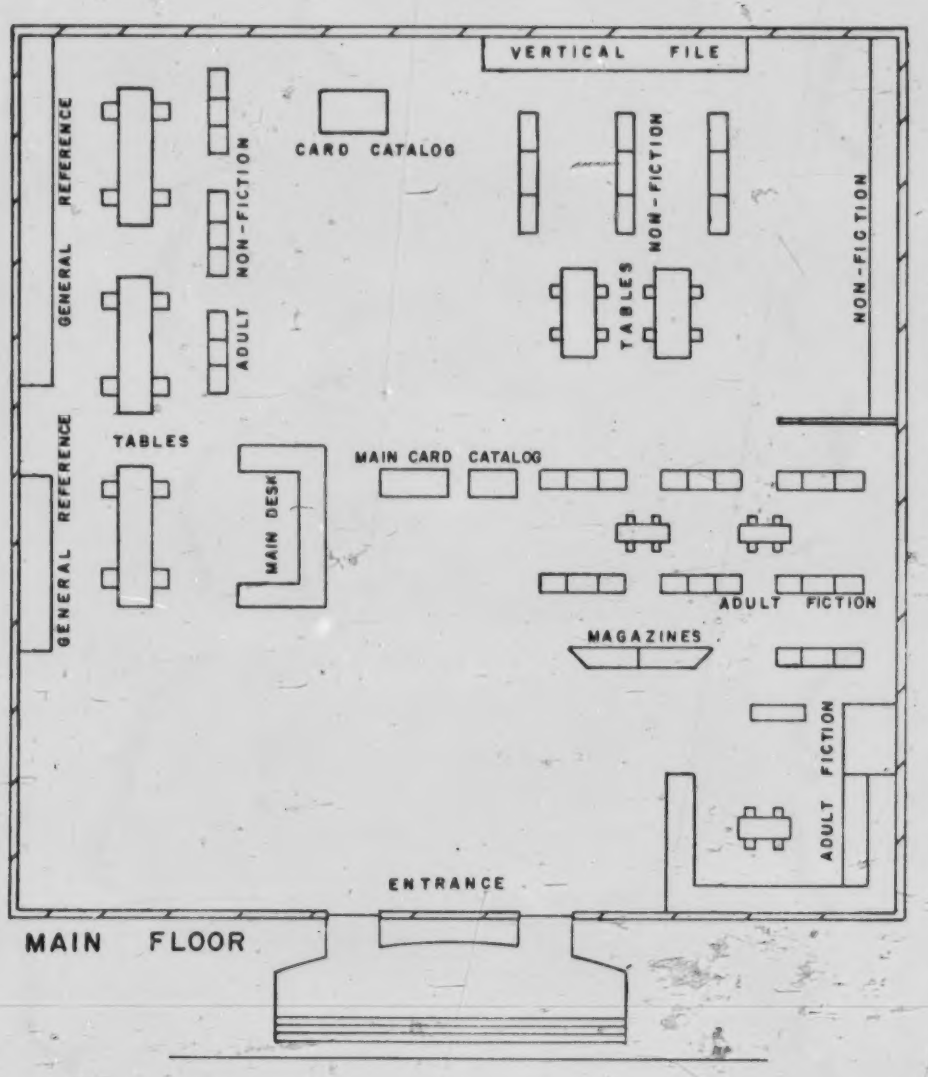

PONCA CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY

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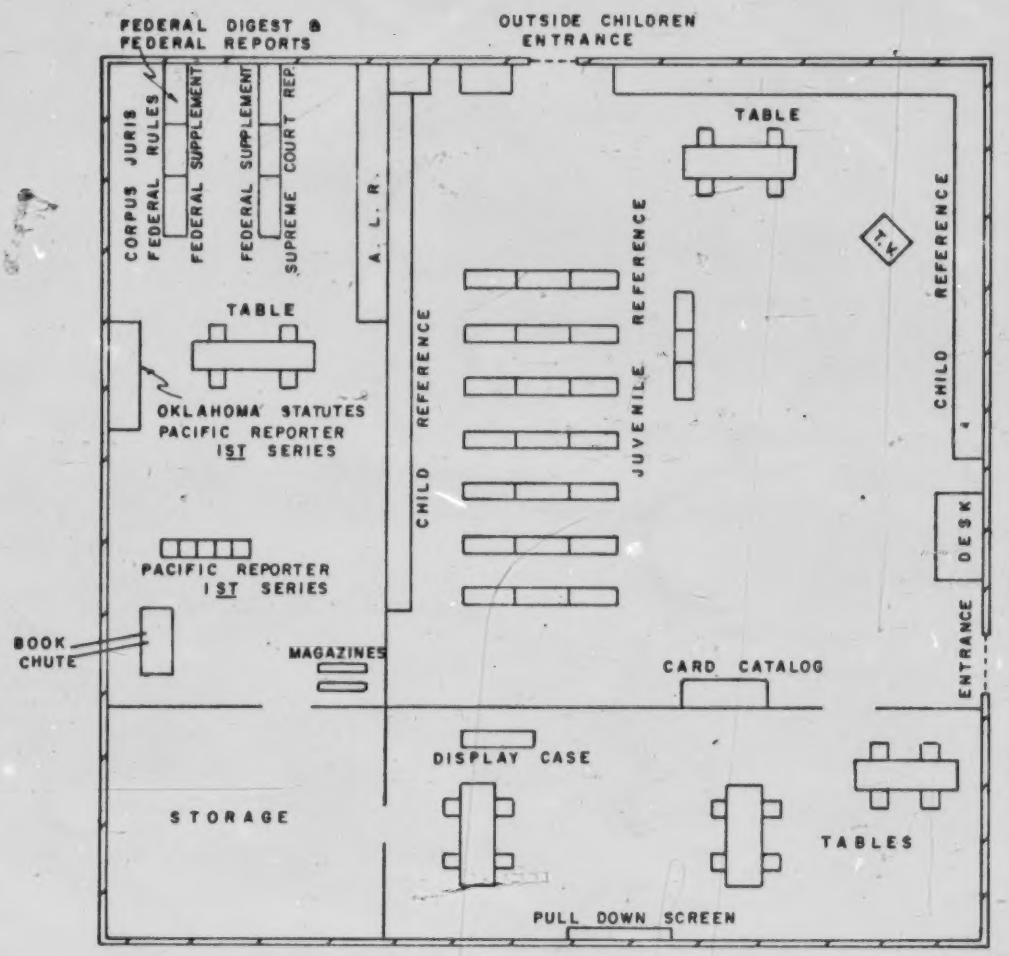

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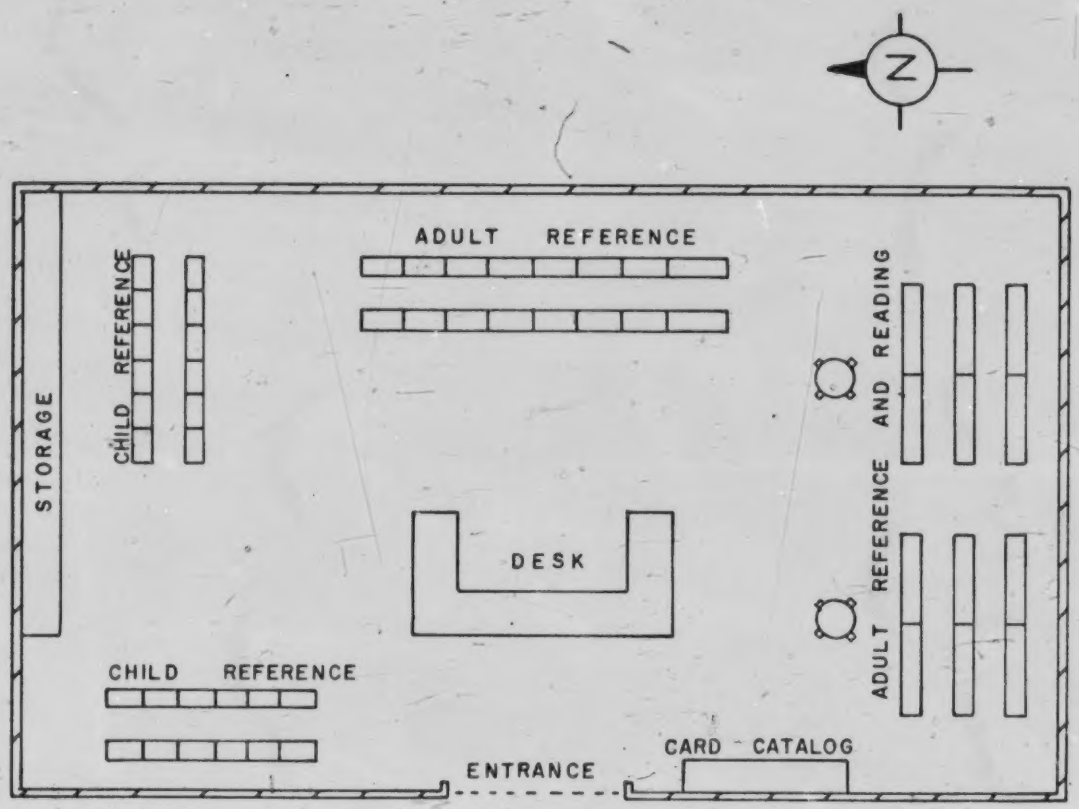


TONKAWA CITY LIBRARY

(Dimension unknown)

1,600 SQ. FT.

KINGFISHER COUNTY :

HENNESSEY PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Hennessey Public Library serves the towns of Hennessey, Dover, Bison, Ames and Waukomis which contain approximately 4,000 people. The library is open Monday thru Friday from 2:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

The Hennessey Public Library started in 1937 when a theatre allowed free entrance for children who would provide a donated book collected from the community. Mrs. B. Ehler contributed the major funds for the library.

The Book Stock as of 1974 includes:

Adult	7,799
Juvenile	3,994
Total	11,793

There are also 16 periodicals.

Financial support comes from the following sources:

City	$3,800
County	800
Misc.	214.72
Total	$4,814.72

The public library of Hennessey provides the following services: delivery of books to nursing homes upon request, a summer reading program, and a reading club.

The library is governed by the library board which meets twice a year in the library. The members of the library board are as follows:

Mrs. Al Racer, President
Phone (405) 853-4572

Mrs. Arlene Poteet, Secretary
Phone (405) 853-7162

Mrs. Ramona Paine
Phone (405) 853-2077

Mrs. Harry Moore
Phone (405) 853-2761

Mr. Paul Caffey
413 N. Cimarron
Phone (405) 853-2093

Mr. Horace Beadle
413 S. Cheyenne
Phone (405) 853-4489

Mrs. Rick Tyner
528 N. Cimarron
Phone (405) 853-2150

The library board provided the following needs for this year:

1. Remodel the present building or construct a new facility
2. Initiate a pre-school program to include a children's story hour
3. Initiate a film program

The library board is interested in a multi-county system.

KINGFISHER PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Kingfisher Public Library serves the entire county which contains approximately 13,000 people. The Kingfisher Public Library is open Monday thru Friday from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and on Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

The Kingfisher Public Library began as the Kingfisher Study Club which remained functional for one year. The city commission took over the operation since that time.

The Book Stock as of this time is not available.

The financial support for the library includes:

City	$10,500
County	1,800
Misc.	5,000
Total	$17,300

The library offers a summer reading program, children's story hour, OTIS, delivery of books to the nursing homes and other shut-ins, films, and book loan to the Kingfisher Hospital.

The Kingfisher Public Library is governed by a board of directors that meets every month on the third Monday. The six members of the board are listed as follows:

Jack Steele, President
119 Thompson Dr.
Phone (405) 375-3751

Lee Boecher, Vice President
209 West Overstreet
Phone (405) 375-4839

John Ruth, Secretary/Treasurer
610 S. Main
Phone (405) 375-3354

Tom Baker, Attorney
1201 South 7th
Phone (405) 375-4638

Vernon Moss
904 S. 11th
Phone (405) 375-4712

Roy McNaught
801 S. 7th
Phone (405) 375-3081

The library board provided the following problems and needs:

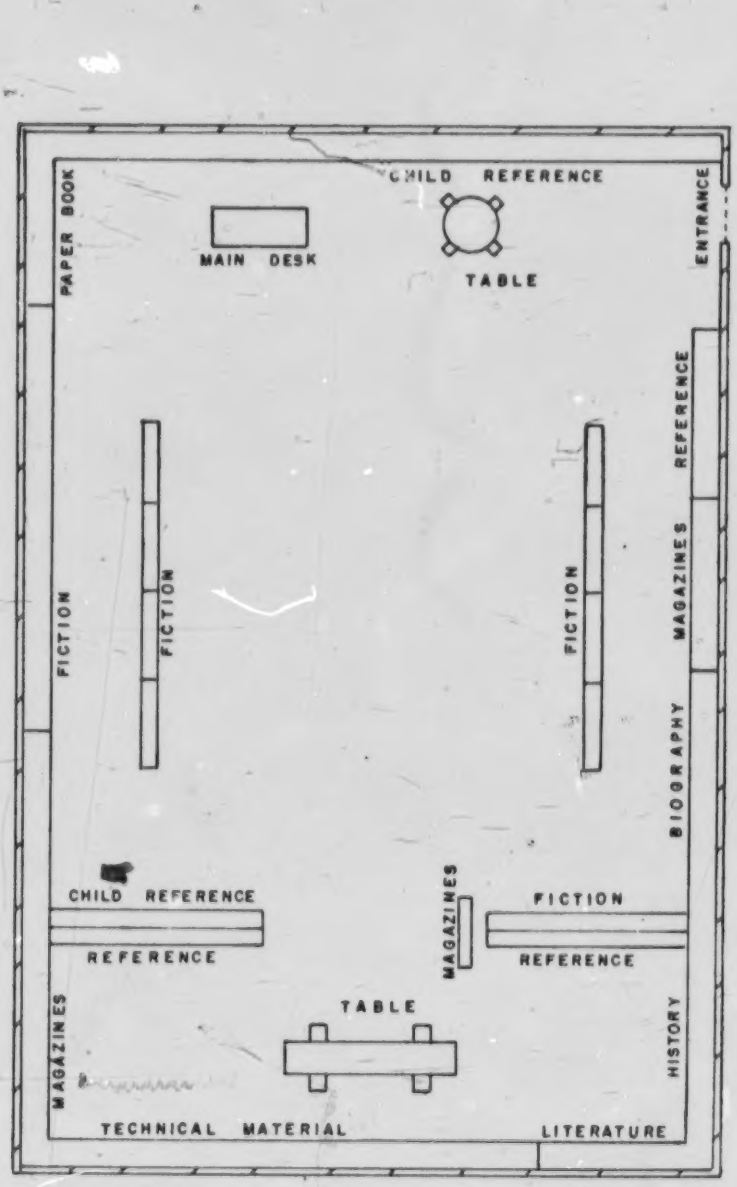
A. Problems
   1. Lack of adequate financial resources
   2. Lack of adequate floor space and storage space for books
   3. Inadequate number of parking spaces

B. Needs
1. Increased financial support
2. Move to a larger building; preferably the recently acquired Post Office building
3. Copying machine
4. Purchase films and cassettes
5. Initiate a genealogy section in the library

The public library has recently completed cataloging the books according to year and name of publication. Last year book shelves were built and new furniture was purchased for the library. The library board desires to expand the present facility and also the expansion of the types of services available to the public. The board is interested in the multi-county library system but the board felt that the city commission and county commissioners would not favor such a system.

LOYAL PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Loyal Public Library was started in 1940 in a building formerly an auto service station. The library is operated by the Home Demonstration Club on a voluntary basis. The library has 3,000 books as of 1975 and is supported financially with $200 per year from Kingfisher County. The public library has recently closed its services.



HENNESSEY PUBLIC LIBRARY

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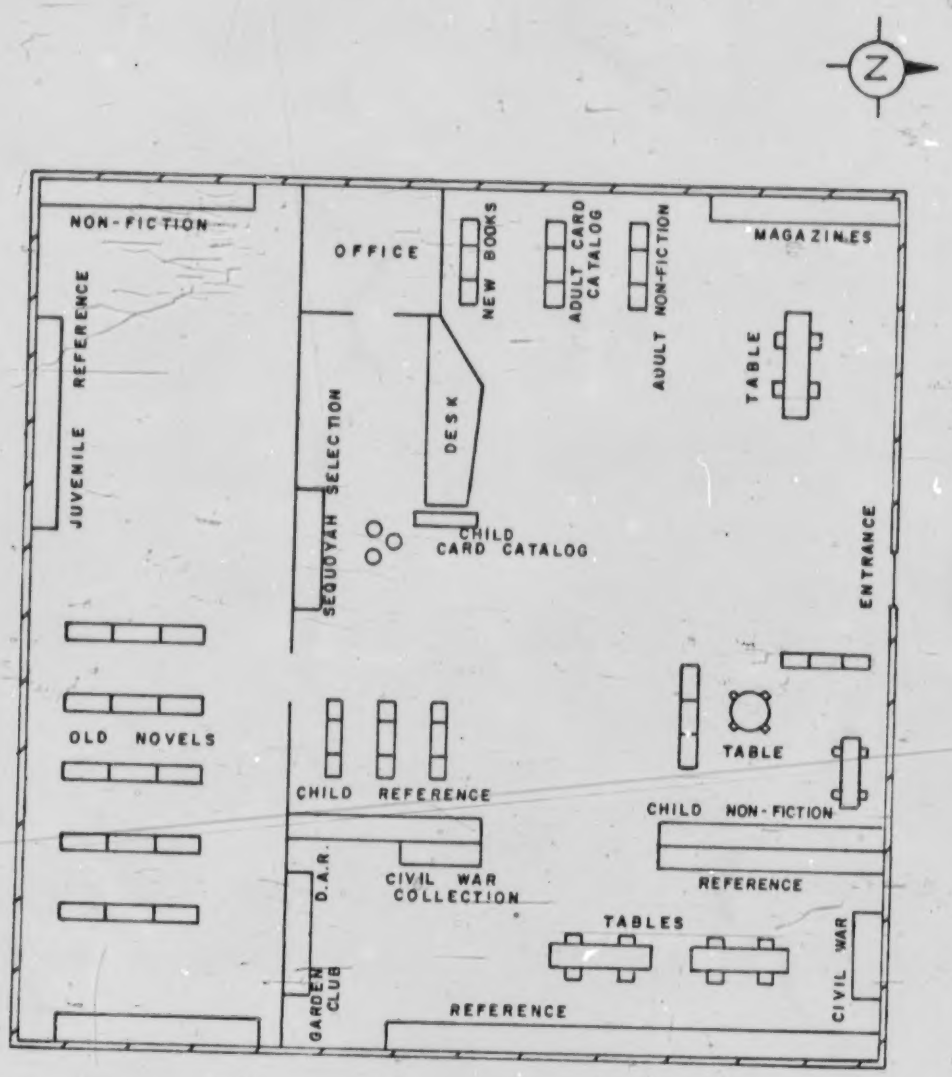

KINGFISHER CITY LIBRARY
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MAJOR COUNTY

CLEO SPRINGS PUBLIC LIBRARY

The public library which contained a total of 1,000 books is no longer in operation. Due to the lack of financial support the library had to stop services.

FAIRVIEW PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Fairview Public Library serves all of Major County which includes approximately 8,000 people. The library is open Monday thru Friday 1:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and on Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon and from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. During the summer, the library is open from 11:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday thru Saturday.

The library began in the Major County Courthouse and then was moved to the present site.

There are 19,000 volumes in the library.

The Fairview Public Library offers the following programs: a summer reading program, a story hour for pre-schoolers, mail-a-book, OTIS, phonograph records, revolving book program, city-school cooperation, and a new book service from Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

The library is governed by a library board which meets on the last Thursday of the month at 4:30 p.m. in the library.

The members of the library board include:

R. E. Graalman, Chairperson
25 Legion Drive
Phone (405) 227-4818

Merlin Freed
724 E. Broadway
Phone (405) 227-3881

Bill Anderson
415 S. 7th Street
Phone (405) 227-3845

Herbert H. Holmes
515 N. 11th
Phone (405) 227-4877

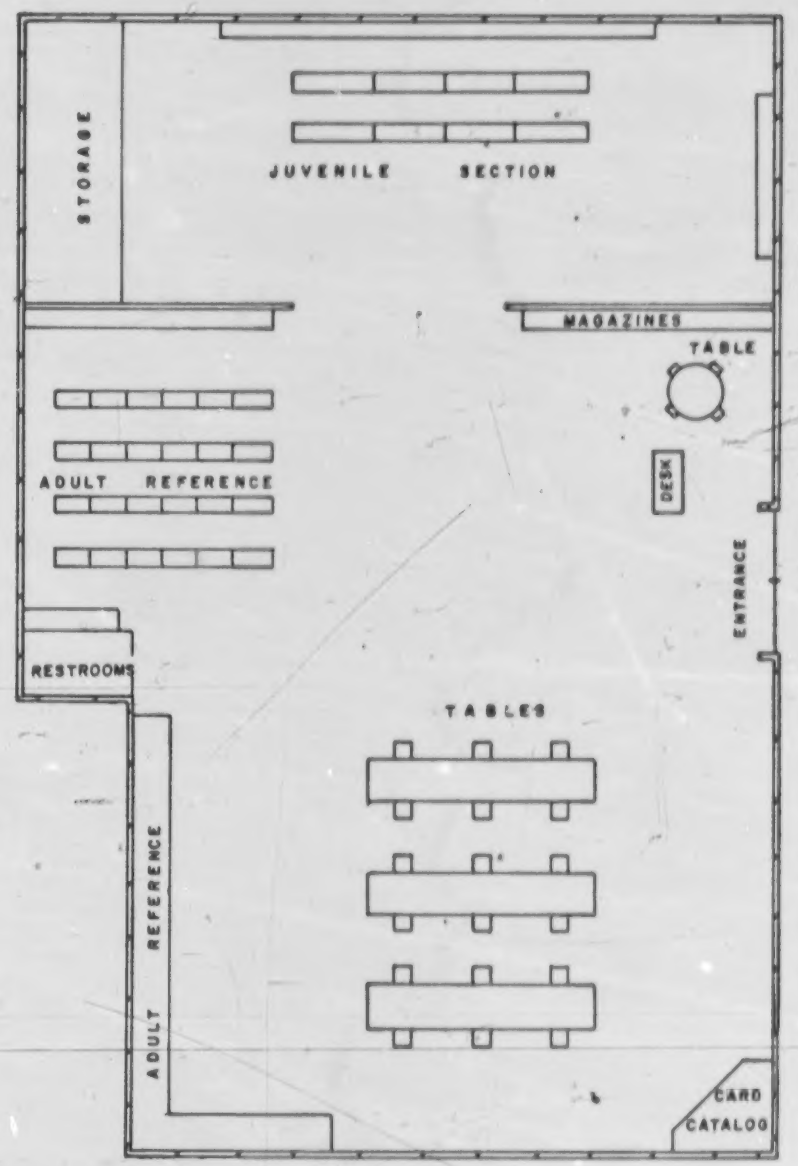
William H. Krouse
103 Sunset Lane
Phone (405) 227-3910

Cam Steele
1201 Sooner Lane
Phone (405) 227-4315

The library board provided the following problems and needs:

A. Problems
   1. Lack of adequate space for storage of books
   2. Lack of adequate financial support

B. Needs
   1. An adequate reference department. The library needs the assistance of the Oklahoma State Department of libraries in the provision of cost estimates for this service.
   2. Increase small grant awards from the Oklahoma State Department of Libraries to help develop library programs on a local level
   3. A copying machine
   4. Request assistance for attending regional library conferences, district library workshops, and training sessions
   5. The Oklahoma Department of Libraries should come to the local libraries once in a while
   6. Expand the library facility.



FAIRVIEW CITY LIBRARY

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NOBLE COUNTY

PERRY CARNEGIE PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Perry Carnegie Public Library is the only public library in Noble County which contains approximately 11,000 people. The library was built in 1909 with moneys from the Carnegie foundation. The library is open Monday through Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and on Friday and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. During the summer, the hours are 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday thru Saturday.

The Book Stock as of 1975 includes the following:

Adult	17,750
Juvenile	6,250
Total	24,000

There are currently 63 subscriptions: 57 adult and 6 children.

Financial support for the library comes from the city which amounts to $16,000. The city of Perry has recently provided money to the library from general revenue sharing funds, along with funds from the community, to improve the children's section of the library.

The library provides the following programs and services: a children's story hour, 175 tape recordings, a collection of 10 framed paintings, an outreach program for the aged and the poor, paperback exchange, photocopier, OTIS, summer reading program, a new book review, and a program in genealogy.

The library is governed by a board of directors who meet on the third Wednesday of every month at 4:00 p.m. in the library.

The members of the board are as follows:

Mrs. Norma Jerome, Chairperson
1704 Ridgecrest Drive
Phone (405) 336-2693

Mrs. Dick Dearborn, Secretary
616 Kaw
Phone (405) 336-4396

Mrs. Francis Lathrop
507 Quail Creek Rd.
Phone (405) 336-2694

Mrs. Beverly Haynes
909 9th Street
Phone (405) 336-5183

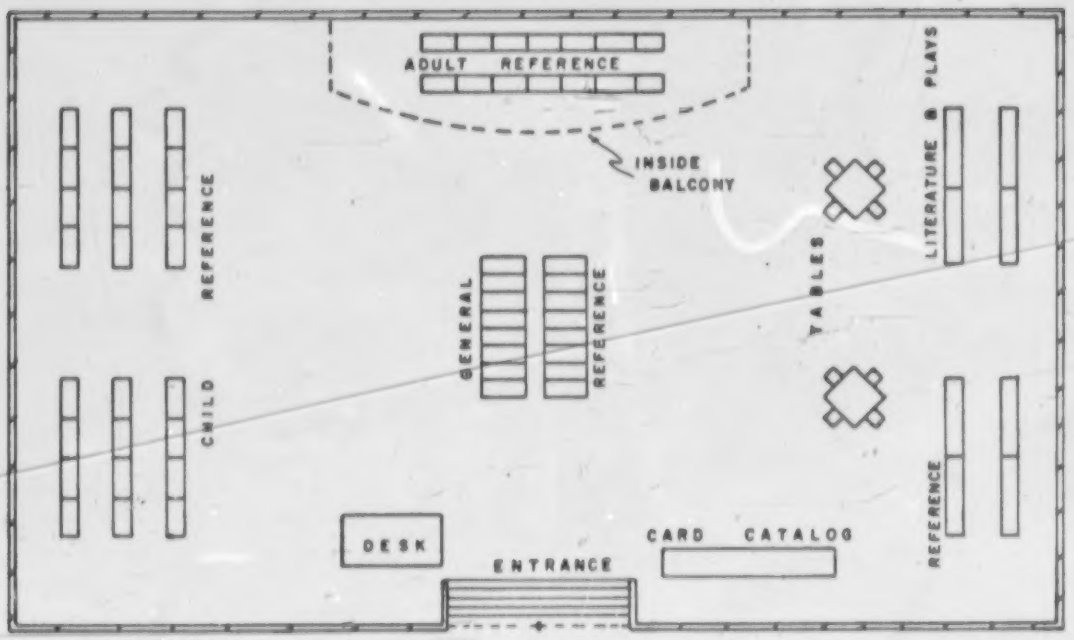
Mr. Bob McDaniels
924 6th Street
Phone (405) 336-2650

Mr. Ervin Abraham
824 Ivanhoe
Phone (405) 336-5120

The board of directors provided the following list of problems and needs:

A. Problems
   1. Lack of funds for purchase of new books
   2. Minimal cooperation among public libraries

B. Needs
   1. Increase cooperation among public libraries
   2. Increase participation of community in the functions of the library
   3. Develop a list of all books, double copies, etc. that could be shared by other libraries
   4. Reinforce efforts to gain volunteers
   5. Remodel the upstairs at a cost of $10,000. This would include correct lighting, lower the ceiling, and refinish the woodwork
   6. Acquire moneys for new books



MAIN FLOOR

PERRY CARNEGIE LIBRARY
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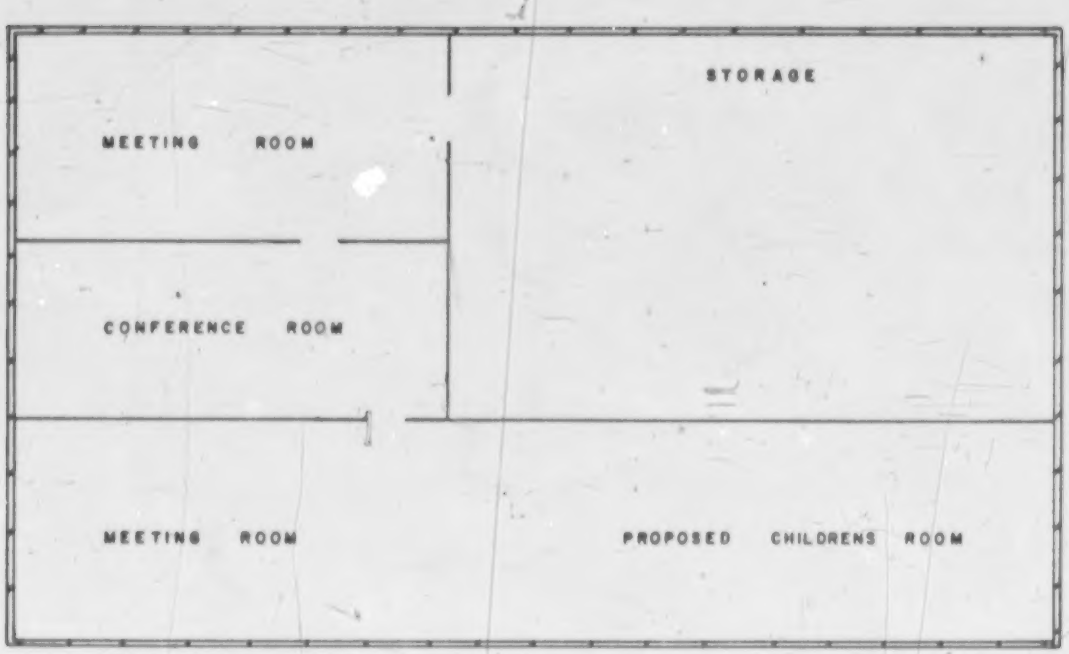

BASEMENT

PERRY CARNEGIE LIBRARY

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NODA STAFF

Comments and Recommendations

All of the public libraries in the NODA area are attempting to upgrade and expand services to the public. Even though these libraries are severely hampered by financial constraints these libraries are providing a good service. Attitudinal differences concerning the financing and support of libraries has not eliminated motivation by library staff and many volunteers to provide library services to the public. All of these people have provided great initiative in maintaining library services.

However, there is a need to increase support for libraries, both financially and politically. Many local mayors, county commissioners, and state and federal executives have placed library services near the end of the priority list for financial support. Too often library services were considered to be a budget item that was to be reduced or eliminated for other programs. Library facilities and services should be supported with an increase in funds as soon as possible. If we do not, our televisions and radios will be the library of our livingroom. We must have good libraries not only for today, but for tomorrow.

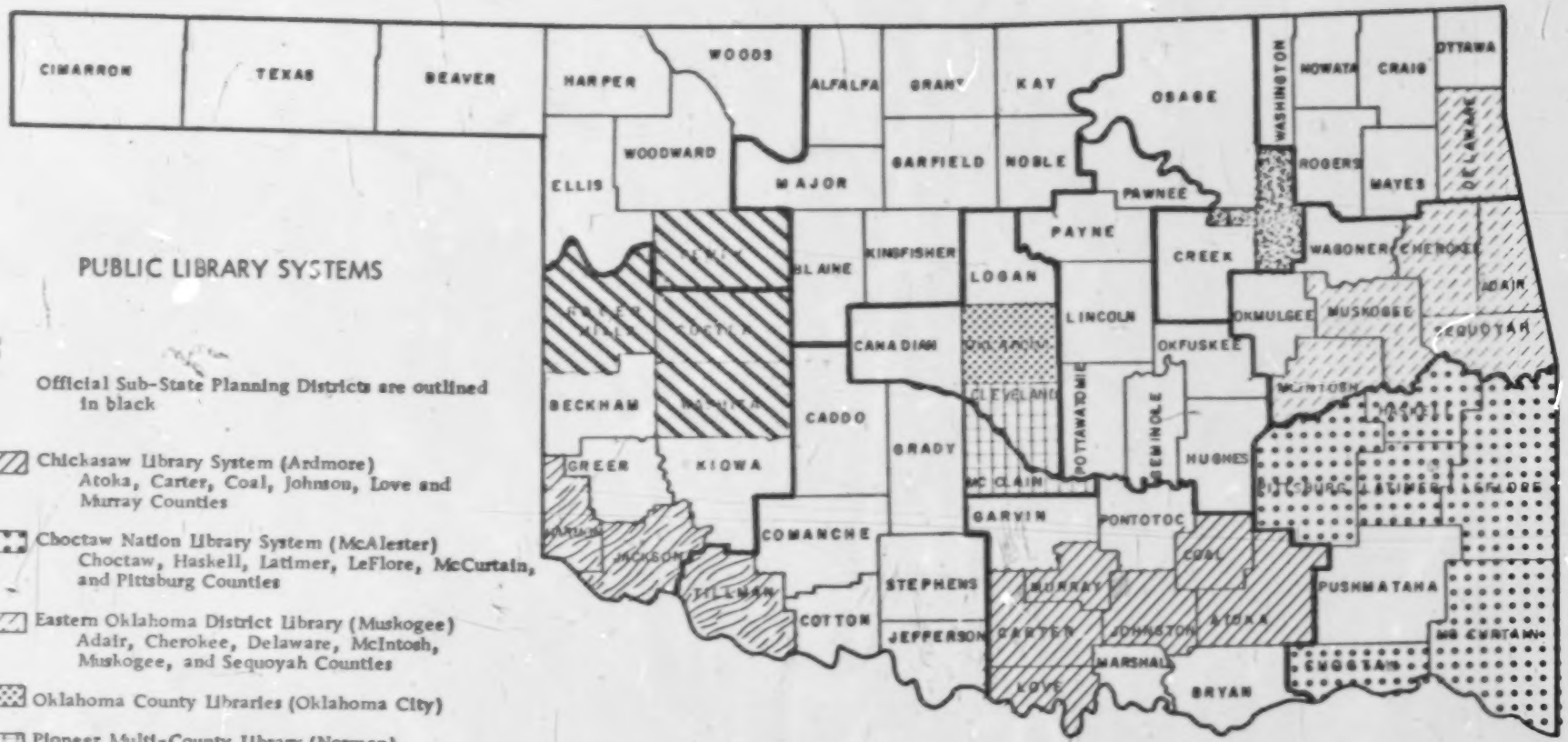
If public libraries are to survive, there should be increased cooperation among public as well as school libraries. Through such things as interloan programs, sharing of staff, cooperative purchase agreements, similar and cooperative accounting procedures, and cooperative financial support agreements, many public libraries will increase and upgrade services.

Librarians and supportive staff in most of the public libraries in the NODA area have little or no access to upgrading their skills. Continuing educational seminars and conferences should be made available to all public library staff in the state by the Oklahoma State Department of Libraries and cooperative educational efforts for staff by public libraries. These types of educational endeavors, of course, depend on adequate financial, community, and political support.

As was stated by many public library boards, financing of public libraries and adequate space are major problems encountered by local public libraries. The NODA staff believes that the use of the multi-county system concept is a primary solution to the problems of public libraries. Cooperation and coordination among public libraries is essential to the success of public libraries.

APPENDIX

OKLAHOMA

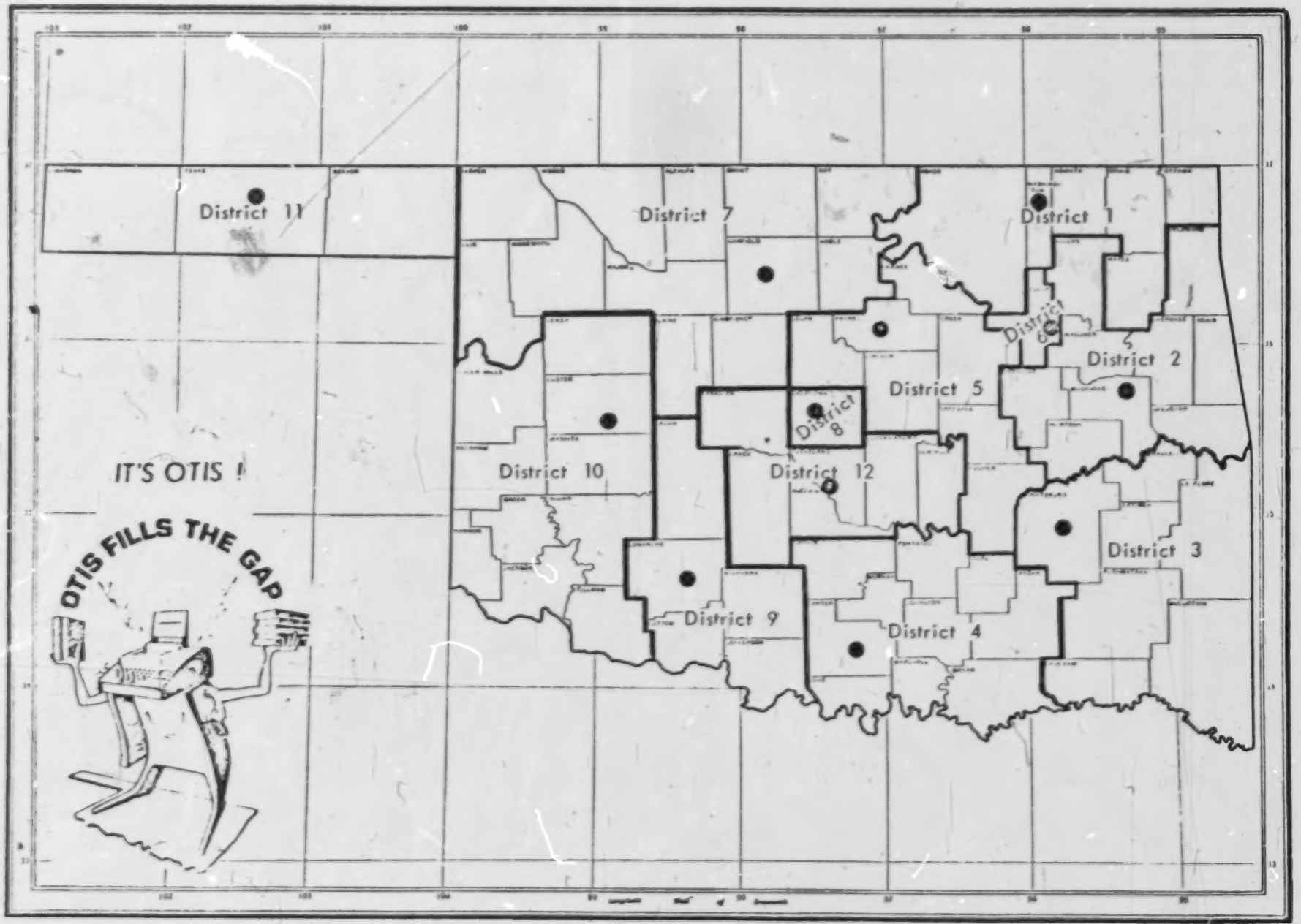


PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEMS

Official Sub-State Planning Districts are outlined in black

- Chickasaw Library System (Ardmore)
  Atoka, Carter, Coal, Johnson, Love and Murray Counties
- Choctaw Nation Library System (McAlester)
  Choctaw, Haskell, Latimer, LeFlore, McCurtain, and Pittsburg Counties
- Eastern Oklahoma District Library (Muskogee)
  Adair, Cherokee, Delaware, McIntosh, Muskogee, and Sequoyah Counties
- Oklahoma County Libraries (Oklahoma City)
- Pioneer Multi-County Library (Norman)
  Cleveland and McClain Counties
- Southern Prairie Library System (Altus)
  Harmon, Jackson, and Tillman Counties
- Tulsa City-County Library (Tulsa)
- Western Plains Library System (Clinton)
  Custer, Dewey, Roger Mills, and Washita Counties

OTIS DISTRICTS - FIND THE DISTRICT WHICH INCLUDES YOUR COUNTY



OTIS INCLUDES PUBLIC LIBRARIES, NC ACCREDITED HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARIES, COLLEGE LIBRARIES AND SPECIAL LIBRARIES

Transmission Site Addresses:

District 1. Bartlesville - USBML
U.S.Bureau of Mines
Interlibrary Loan
P. O. Box 1398
Bartlesville, Oklahoma 74003

District 2. Muskogee - EODL
Eastern Oklahoma District Library
Interlibrary Loan
801 West Okmulgee
Muskogee, Oklahoma 74401

District 3. McAlester - CNMCL
Choctaw Nation Library System
Interlibrary Loan
401 North Second Street
McAlester, Oklahoma 74501

District 4. Ardmore - CLS
Chickasaw Library System
Interlibrary Loan
22 Broadlawn Village
Ardmore, Oklahoma 73401

District 5. Stillwater - SPL
Stillwater Public Library
Interlibrary Loan
206 West 6th Street
Stillwater, Oklahoma 74074

District 6. Tulsa - OKT
*Tulsa City-County Library
Interlibrary Loan
400 Civic Center
Tulsa, Oklahoma 74103

District 7. Enid - PLEG
Public Library of Enid and Garfield County
Interlibrary Loan
120 West Maine
Enid, Oklahoma 73701

District 8. Okla.City - OKC
*Oklahoma County Libraries
Interlibrary Loan
131 N.W. Third Street
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73102

District 9. Lawton - LPL
Lawton Public Library
Interlibrary Loan
110 S. W. Fourth Street
Lawton, Oklahoma 73501

District 10. Clinton - WPL
Western Plains Library System
Interlibrary Loan
P. O. Box 627
Clinton, Oklahoma 73601

District 11. Guymon - GPL
Guymon Public Library
Interlibrary Loan
206 West 5th Street
Guymon, Oklahoma 73942

District 12. Norman - PMC
Pioneer Multi-County Library
Interlibrary Loan
225 North Webster
Norman, Oklahoma 73069

OKU
*University of Oklahoma
Interlibrary Loan
Library
Norman, Oklahoma 73069

OKS
*Oklahoma State University
Interlibrary Loan
Library
Stillwater, Oklahoma 74074

OKU-M-OC
*University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center Library
Interlibrary Loan
P. O. Box 26901
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 7319

OK
*Oklahoma Department of Libra
Interlibrary Loan
200 NE 18th Street
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 731

* Also Resource Center Libraries

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III. WHY FREE PUBLIC LIBRARIES? PURPOSES AND FUNCTIONS

Informational, educational and cultural services to all people of all ages are the prime functions of the public library. These will be economically feasible only through a statewide network of public library systems. Such a concept includes cooperation among all types of libraries: public, school, college and university and special.

A. THE LIBRARY IS THE INFORMATION CENTER OF ITS SERVICE AREA:

- multi-county area
- county
- city or town
- trade area

With a maximum travel time of
15 minutes for urban areas and
30 minutes for rural areas

IT PROVIDES OR LOCATES INFORMATION:

1. FROM ALL TYPES OF MATERIALS IN AND OUT OF THE LIBRARY

Books	Microfilm	Talking Books
Pamphlets	16 mm. Sound	Exhibits
Magazines	Filmstrips	Pictures
Newspapers	Tapes	Documents
Film	Phonorecords	Vertical File Materials

And through bibliographic resources, directories, indexes, and catalogs.

2. FROM OTHER RESOURCES OUTSIDE THE LIBRARY

a. Other libraries
b. Other community agencies and individuals
c. Through the Oklahoma Teletype Interlibrary System (OTIS) directly and indirectly -
   1. Oklahoma Department of Libraries
   2. Oklahoma major resource libraries
   3. Regional bibliographic centers
   4. Library of Congress - other scholarly libraries and resource centers.

3. INFORMATION IS PROVIDED

a. In person through librarian - assistance for patron
b. In print for use in and out of the library
c. Through copy service (photoduplication)
d. By telephone
e. Through delivery and by mail for the handicapped, blind and shut-in.

4. FACILITIES PROVIDED FOR INFORMATION SERVICES

a. Individual patrons - A library (central, branch, or bookmobile within fifteen to thirty minute drive for all people.)

4. FACILITIES PROVIDED FOR INFORMATION SERVICES (continued)

b. Group facilities - meeting rooms, seminar and study rooms for informational programs, conferences, discussion groups, storyhours.

5. STAFF - UNDER THE DIRECTION OF PROFESSIONAL LIBRARIANS AND INCLUDING SPECIALISTS

The staff provides instruction in the use of library resources and its services for individuals and groups through:

a. Tours and seminars
b. Informational brochures
c. The news media

6. MAJOR EMPHASIS IS ON SERVICE FOR THE INDIVIDUAL LIBRARY USER, whether connected with business and industry, governmental agencies, research, civic and community services, educational or cultural interests.

B. THE LIBRARY IS A CENTER FOR EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES OF THE SERVICE AREA

1. PRIMARY:
For adults and children using all materials, facilities, and staff mentioned above. Also, cultural programs, listening facilities, pictures for home or office, book lists, and instruction in the use of the library.

2. SUPPLEMENTARY RESOURCE FOR:
a. Schools
b. Colleges and universities
c. Museums
d. Churches
e. Other institutions
f. Other civic and cultural groups which may rely on the library for -
1. Materials (books, etc.)
2. Facilities - small auditorium, meeting and conference rooms
3. Instruction in public library use, including group visits.

IV. LIBRARY COLLECTIONS
(Excerpted from Interim Standards for Small Public Libraries, 1962)

A. Every library should have a written statement of policy covering the selection and maintenance of its collection of books and of non-book materials.

B. Material added to the collection should meet high standards of quality in content, expression and format and should meet the needs and interests of the individual community.

C. The library collection should provide opposing views on controversial topics.

IV. LIBRARY COLLECTIONS (continued)

D. The character and emphasis of the collection in a community library should be influenced by the existence of other library collections in the community and area.

E. Selections of materials for the library should be determined by usefulness and should not be limited by format.

F. All materials in a community library should be actively used.

G. Regardless of the size of a community, its library should provide access to enough books to cover the interests of the whole population.

H. The community library should have a sufficient number of standard reference books to supply information most frequently needed.

I. Materials in the library should be organized following an easily understood standard style of indexing and shelf arrangement to facilitate use of the collection by the public and the staff.

V. STRUCTURE AND GOVERNMENT OF LIBRARY SERVICE

A. Libraries should be organized under the Oklahoma Library Code, or if unaffiliated, under other provisions of State law.

B. Organization of the library board, service and personnel policies and procedures, and financial records and accounting for all libraries and library systems should meet all requirements of State law and local ordinances and Federal law when Federal funds are involved.

C. All public libraries should report annually to the appropriate governmental bodies, including city councils, boards of county commissioners, State Examiner and Inspector's Office, and the Oklahoma Department of Libraries.

D. Trustees shall be appointed on the following basis:

1. Members of the board of trustees will be chosen for their value to the citizens, government and library in interpreting the need of the community, the will of the government, and the policies of the library.

2. Provisions will be made for definite staggered terms and for retirement of members of the board to insure new thinking and fresh approaches.

3. The functions of the library board and of the library director should be clearly differentiated. The library board is the policy making or the legislative body and the library director is the administrative officer.

4. The library boards of all public libraries should adopt by-laws for their own government and should develop, with the assistance of the librarian, written statements of goals for the library and policies, including book selection, service and personnel. The library's statement of goals should include a plan for achieving "Goals for 1975".

V. STRUCTURE AND GOVERNMENT OF LIBRARY SERVICE (continued)

5. Board members should be members of state, regional and national library associations and should be encouraged to attend professional library meetings and conferences. Their presence is essential at board meetings, and at regional and state meetings of trustees. Consistent failure to attend meetings is adequate reason for replacement.

VI. PHYSICAL FACILITIES

(SEE INSERT NEXT PAGE)

VII. PERSONNEL

The library must have adequate and competent personnel to render effective service. The library's unique function of serving as the one unbiased, nonpartisan source of information for all the people calls for personnel of the highest competence and integrity. The selection of qualified staff members, as well as the organization and conditions under which they work, are basic considerations in an institution dedicated to public service, and every possible technique and approach should be used to attract qualified people to the library profession.

ADEQUATE PERSONNEL TO MEET THESE GOALS WILL DEPEND ON:

1. Availability of additional graduate librarians.
2. Continuous in-service training for all levels of library employees.
3. Sufficient broad-based funding to provide salaries which are competitive with other states.

To meet these needs a concentrated program sponsored jointly by the Graduate Library School at the University of Oklahoma and the State Department of Libraries will be required.

VI. PHYSICAL FACILITIES

GUIDELINES FOR DETERMINING MINIMUM SPACE REQUIREMENTS[1]

Population Served	Shelving Space: Size of Book Collection	Shelving Space: Linear Feet of Shelving[2]	Shelving Space: Amount of Floor Space	Reader Space	Staff Work Space	Estimated Additional Space Needed[3]	Total Floor Space
Under 5,000	10,000 vol. plus 4 bks. per capita for pop. over 3,500	1,300 linear ft. Add 1 ft. of shelving for every 8 bks. over 10,000	1,000 sq. ft. Add 1 sq. ft. for every 10 bks. over 10,000	Min. 500 sq. ft. for 16 seats. Add 5 seats per M over 3,500 pop. served at 30 sq. ft. per reader space	300 sq. ft.	1,000 sq. ft.	3,000 sq. ft. or 0.7 sq. ft. per capita, whichever is greater
5,000-9,999	20,000 vol. plus 4 bks. per capita for pop. over 5,000	2,500 linear ft. Add 1 ft. of shelving for every 8 bks. over 20,000	2,000 sq. ft. Add 1 sq. ft. for every 10bks. over 20,000	Min. 700 sq. ft. for 23 seats. Add 4 seats per M over 5,000 pop. served at 30 sq. ft. per reader space	500 sq. ft. Add 150 sq. ft. for each full time staff member over 3	1,000 sq. ft.	4,200 sq. ft. or 0.7 sq. ft. per capita, whichever is greater
10,000-24,999	40,000 vol. plus 4 bks. per capita for pop. over 10,000	5,000 linear ft. Add 1 ft. of shelving for every 8 bks. over 40,000	4,000 sq. ft. Add 1 sq. ft. for every 10 bks. over 40,000	Min. 1,200 sq. ft. for 40 seats. Add 4 seats per M over 10,000 pop. served at 30 sq. ft. per reader space	1,000 sq. ft. Add 150 sq. ft. for each full time staff member over 7	1,800 sq. ft.	8,000 sq. ft. or 0.7 sq. ft. per capita, whichever is greater
25,000-49,999	75,000 vol. plus 3 bks. per capita for pop. over 25,000	9,315 linear ft. Add 1 ft. of shelving for every 8 bks. over 75,000	7,500 sq. ft. Add 1 sq. ft. for every 10 bks. over 75,000	Min. 2,250 sq. ft. for 75 seats. Add 3 seats per M over 25,000 pop. served at 30 sq. ft. per reader space	1,500 sq. ft. Add 150 sq. ft. for each full time staff member over 13	5,250 sq. ft.	16,500 sq. ft. or 0.6 sq. ft. per capita, whichever is greater
50,000 and up	100,000 vol. plus 2 bks. per capita for pop. over 50,000	6,250 linear ft. Add 1 ft. of shelving for every 8 bks. over 100,000	10,000 sq. ft. Add 1 sq. ft. for every 10 bks. over 100,000	Min. 4,500 sq. ft. for 150 seats. Add 3 seats per M over 50,000 pop. served at 30 sq. ft. per reader space	3,000 sq. ft. Add 150 sq. ft. for each full time staff member over 20	10,000 sq. ft.	27,500 sq. ft. or .55 sq. ft. per capita, whichever is greater

1/ Based on Interim Standards for Small Public Libraries, 1962 - updated to provide space for books and personnel recommended in Oklahoma "Goals for 1975". For estimates of building and furniture costs, consult the annual architectural issue of the Library Journal (Dec. 1). For additional standards on the nature and quality of the building, see ALA Minimum Standards for Public Library Systems, 1966.

2/ A standard library shelf equals 3 linear feet.

3/ Space for circulation desk, heating and cooling equipment, multipurpose room, stairways, janitors' supplies, toilets, etc. as required by community needs and the program of library services.

Can adjust accordingly

SPECIMEN COSTS FOR A LIBRARY SYSTEM SERVING A POPULATION OF 200,000

SALARIES No. Positions F.T.E.	Title	Beginning Salary	Actual Average Salary (Step 3)	Totals
1	Professional VII	$ 21,600	$ 23,760	$ 23,760
1	Professional VI	19,800	21,780	21,780
2	Professional V	16,650	18,316	36,632
2	Professional IV	14,850	16,336	32,672
6	Professional III	12,600	13,860	83,160
8	Professional II	10,800	11,880	95,040
10	Professional I	9,000	9,900	99,000
4	Library Associate	7,500	8,250	33,000
48	Clerical		6,200	285,200
20	Pages		3,600	72,000
100	Subtotal			$782,244
	Benefits (15% of total)			138,043
	Salary Total			$920,287

MATERIALS Number	Type	Unit Cost*	Totals
33,333	Books	$ 7.85	$ 261,664
800	Periodical Titles	10.41	8,328
267	Periodical Duplicates	9.31	2,486
40	Serial Services	85.44	3,418
	Audiovisual Materials		79,273
	Binding, Rebinding, Microform	(12%)	41,197
	Materials Total		$ 396,366

*1970 figures used as base

OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES

Janitor Service, Utilities, Rent, Supplies, Recruiting, Continuing Education, etc. — $ 329,183

BUDGET TOTALS

Salaries	55.9%	$ 920,287
Materials	24.1	396,366
Other Operating Expense	20.0	329,183
Total	100.0%	$1,645,816
COST PER CAPITA	$8.23	

SPECIMEN COSTS FOR A LIBRARY SYSTEM SERVING A POPULATION OF 600,000

SALARIES No. Positions F.T.E.	Title	Beginning Salary	Average Actual Salary (Step 3)	Totals
1	Professional VIII	$ 23,400	$ 25,740	$ 25,740
2	Professional VII	21,600	23,760	47,520
3	Professional VI	19,800	21,780	65,340
5	Professional V	16,650	18,316	91,580
10	Professional IV	14,850	16,336	163,360
15	Professional III	12,600	13,860	207,300
24	Professional II	10,800	11,880	285,120
30	Professional I	9,000	9,900	297,000
10	Library Associate	7,500	8,250	82,500
140	Clerical		6,200	868,000
60	Pages		3,600	216,000
300	Subtotal			$2,350,060
	Benefits (15% of total)			414,718
	Salary Total			$2,764,778

MATERIALS Number	Type	Unit Cost*	Totals
75,000	Books	$ 7.85	$588,750
2,400	Periodical Titles	10.41	24,984
800	Periodical Duplicates	9.31	7,448
120	Serial Services	85.44	10,253
	Audiovisual Materials		182,762
	Binding, Rebinding, Microform	(13%)	99,612
	Materials Total		$913,809

*1970 figures used as base

OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES

Janitor Service, Utilities, Rent, Supplies, Recruiting, Continuing Education, etc. — $919,645

BUDGET TOTALS

Salaries	60.1%	$ 2,764,776
Materials	19.9	913,809
Other Operating Expense	20.0	919,645
Total	100.0%	$ 4,598,230
COST PER CAPITA	$7.66	

SPECIMEN COSTS FOR A LIBRARY SYSTEM SERVING A POPULATION OF 1,000,000

SALARIES No. Positions F.T.E.	Title	Beginning Salary	Average Actual Salary (Step 3)	Totals
1	Professional IX	$ 25,200	$ 27,720	$ 27,720
3	Professional VIII	23,400	25,740	77,220
2	Professional VII	21,600	23,760	47,520
2	Professional VI	19,800	21,780	43,560
4	Professional V	16,650	18,316	73,264
20	Professional IV	14,850	16,336	326,720
35	Professional III	12,600	13,860	485,100
35	Professional II	10,800	11,880	415,800
50	Professional I	9,000	9,900	495,000
15	Library Associate	7,500	8,250	123,750
233	Clerical		6,200	1,444,600
100	Pages		3,600	360,000
500	Subtotal			$3,920,254
	Benefits (15% of total)			691,810
	Salary Total			$4,612,064

MATERIALS Number	Type	Unit Cost*	Totals
125,000	Books	$ 7.85	$ 981,250
4,000	Periodical Titles	10.41	41,640
1,333	Periodical Duplicates	9.31	12,410
200	Serial Services	85.44	17,083
	Audiovisual Materials		307,745
	Binding, Rebinding, Microform	(14%)	178,590
	Materials Total		$1,538,723

*1970 figures used as base

OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE

Janitor Service, Utilities, Rent, Supplies, Recruiting, Continuing Education, etc. — $1,537,697

BUDGET TOTALS

Salaries	60.0%	$4,612,064
Materials	20.0	1,538,723
Other Operating Expense	20.0	1,537,597
Total	100.0%	$7,688,484
COST PER CAPITA	$7.69	

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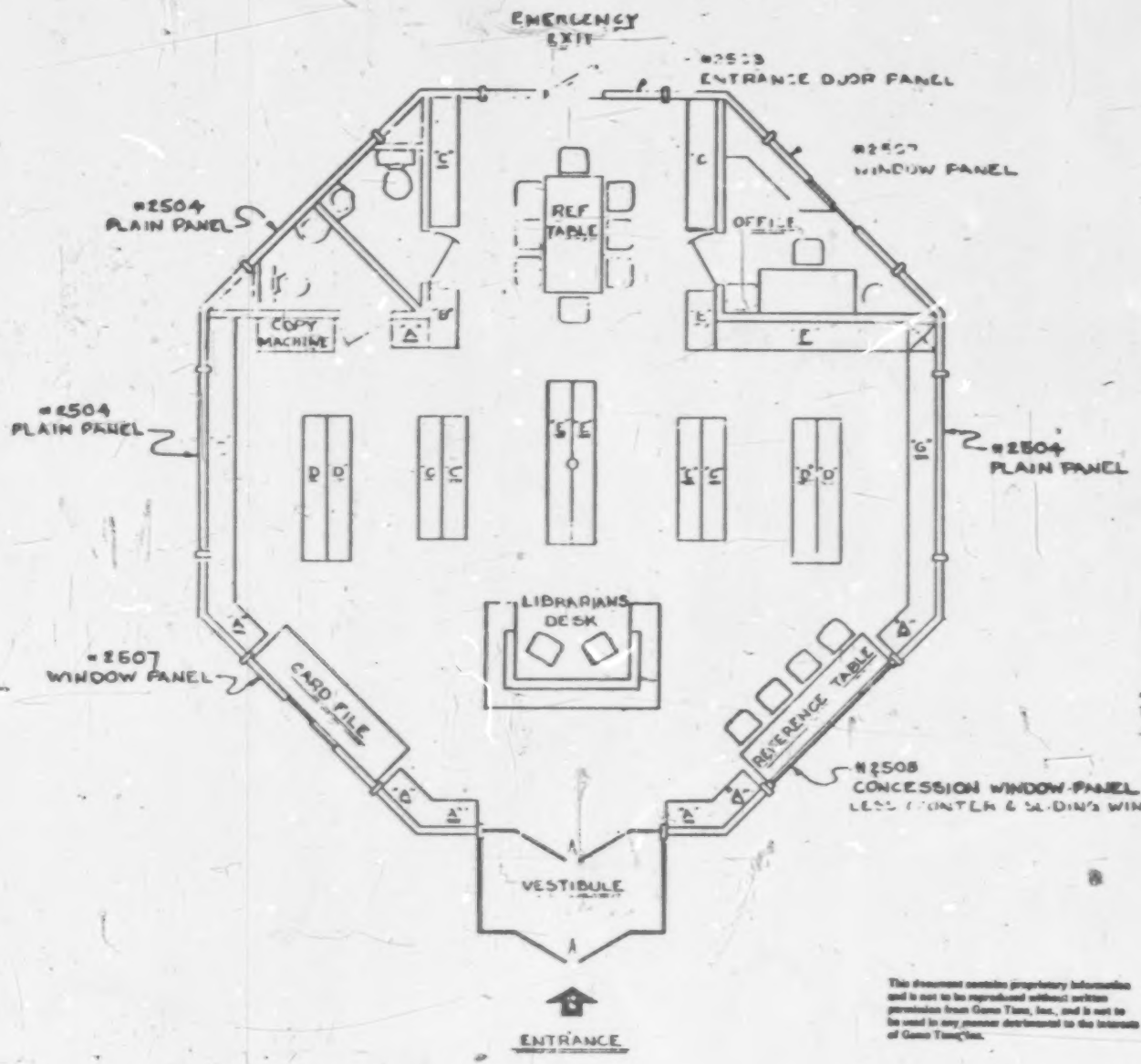

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SHELF	LENGTH	QTY
A	2'-0"	7
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C	6'-6"	6
D	7'-6"	4
E	8'-6"	2
F	10'-0"	1
G	3'-0"	1
H	14'-6"	1

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SECTION 27. LIBRARY DEPARTMENT: hereinafter referred to as the Library Board. It shall consist of seven members, and one ex officio member, and said ex officio member shall be the Superintendent of Public Schools of said city. The members shall be nominated by the Mayor and confirmed by the Board of Commissioners, as provided by Section 62 of the City Charter. The terms of the members appointed shall run for three years ending at 7:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of May of each year. Members shall serve for terms of three years until their successors appointed and qualified. The Board of Commissioners may remove a member of the Library Board for the good of the service, and it may fill all vacancies for the unexpired terms. Members of the Library Board shall serve without compensation. At 7:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of May each year or soon thereafter as practicable, the Library Board shall meet and elect a chairman, a vice-chairman and a secretary. It shall determine the time and place of its regular meeting; and the City Manager, the chairman of the Library Board or any three members thereof may call special meetings of the board. The Library Board shall have administrative supervision and control of the public libraries of the city, and shall appoint the librarians and all other subordinates. The Library Board may adopt regulations for the administration and operation of the libraries, subject to ordinances which the Board of Commissioners may enact. The adoption of this section and the creation of this board shall not affect any agreement whereby the Library Board is to serve as trustee for property given for library purposes; all present members of the Library Board whose terms have not expired, shall serve out their respective terms and replacements shall be named upon the board in the manner and for the terms set forth above. Said board shall have power to accept, or at its discretion, to decline donations for the purposes of maintaining and augmenting collections other than collections of printed books and periodicals. The librarian or librarians shall make a written report at the end of each calendar month to the Board of Commissioners and to the Library Board, and shall account for all money received.

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PUBLIC LIBRARIES

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The Oklahoma Library Code, section 1—101 et seq. of this title, was enacted by Laws 1967, c. 45, effective April 6, 1967.

ARTICLE 1. LEGISLATIVE INTENT AND GENERAL PROVISIONS

§ 1—101. Short title.—This Act shall be known as the Oklahoma Library Code. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 1—101. Eff. April 6, 1967.

Counties ⇐23; Municipal Corporations ⇐267; States ⇐43; Statutes ⇐105 et seq.

§ 1—102. Policy.—It shall be the policy of the State of Oklahoma to promote, support, and implement the development and maintenance of adequate public and special library facilities and services throughout the State in whatever forms and by whatever means may be most beneficial and feasible. Adequate library services are deemed to be necessary to the cultural, educational and economic development of the State of Oklahoma and to the health, safety and welfare of its people, and to be the responsibility of government at all levels. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 1—102. Eff. April 6, 1967.

§ 1—103. Purpose.—It is the purpose of the Oklahoma Library Code to accomplish this policy by providing for:

(a) Creation of the Oklahoma Department of Libraries to discharge the responsibility and exercise the authority of the State of Oklahoma for adequate library facilities and services in and for State government and throughout the State.

(b) Establishment, development and operation of libraries and library systems throughout the State with the goal of providing adequate library services to all the people of the State.

(c) Financial support for libraries with guidelines for maximum economy and effectiveness in use of all funds.

(d) Cooperation with other State agencies, Federal agencies and private organizations in effecting the purposes of this Code. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 1—103. Eff. April 6, 1967.

§ 1—104. Definitions.—When used in this Code unless the context otherwise requires:

(a) The term "library system" shall mean a unified public library organization under single direction in an area of not less than one county.

(b) The term "public library" shall mean a library or library system that is freely open to all persons under identical conditions, and which is supported in whole or in part by public funds.

(c) The term "metropolitan library" shall mean a library system which is the public library for a county in which is located a city of at least two hundred fifty thousand population.

(d) The term "multi-county library" shall mean a library system which is the public library for a library district composed of two or more counties.

(e) The term "special library" shall mean any library, whether open to the general public or not, that is supported in whole or in part by public funds and which comes within one or more of the following categories:

(1) All libraries which are operated within or as an integral part of a publicly supported institution.

(2) All libraries that cater to a special clientele.

(3) All libraries that are concerned primarily with materials on a special subject.

Provided, however, that this definition shall not be construed to include libraries operated as a part of any university, college, school, museum, the Oklahoma Historical Society and county law libraries.

(f) The word "library" shall mean the contents as well as the building, equipment and facilities of the institution.

(g) The word "Department" shall mean the Oklahoma Department of Libraries, which shall be the official library and archival agency of the State.

(h) The word "Board" shall mean the Oklahoma Department of Libraries Board.

(i) The word "standards" shall mean the criteria pertaining to the scope and quality of library facilities, levels of financial support, adequacy and qualifications of personnel, organization and resources for service, areas of service and population to be served, and other factors deemed necessary to insure proper, economical and effective use of funds and resources in providing library facilities and services.

(j) The term "accreditation of libraries" shall mean the evaluation and rating of public libraries and library systems.

(k) The word "Director" shall mean the Director of the Department who shall be the State Librarian and the State Archivist. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 1—104. Eff. April 6, 1967.

Statutes ⇨178.

ARTICLE 2. DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARIES BOARD

§ 2—101. Creation of Board.—The Oklahoma Department of Libraries Board is hereby created. The Board shall consist of seven appointive members, and the Director, who shall be an ex-officio non-voting member. The Governor shall appoint, with the advice and consent of the Senate, one member from each Congressional District created by Title 14, Chapter 1, Section 1, Oklahoma Session Laws 1951 (14 O.S.1961 § 1), and one member-at-large. No appointive member shall be a librarian in active practice. Appointments shall be made on the basis of ability, sound understanding of the total responsibilities and objectives of a state library agency and active interest in the attainment of these goals. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 2—101. Eff. April 6, 1967.

States ⇨13.

§ 2—102. Membership of Board.—The members appointed by the Governor shall be qualified electors of the State and actual residents of the Congressional Districts from which they are appointed. No member of the Board shall in any way be connected with the business of publishing or selling books, periodicals or other forms of library materials, nor with the business of manufacturing or selling library supplies or equipment. No member shall receive any compensation for his service on the Board directly or indirectly; provided that each appointive member may receive actual and necessary travel expense and per diem as authorized by 74 O.S.1961, §§ 500.5–500.12, as amended. Such reimbursements shall be made from funds appropriated to the Department on verified claims approved by the Secretary. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 2—102. Eff. April 6, 1967.

§ 2—103. Terms of office.—The term of office of each appointive member, except for initial appointments as herein specified, shall be six years, beginning July 1 of the year of appointment or until his successor has been appointed and qualified. The present State

Library Board shall become members of the Board of the Department and shall continue in office until their respective terms expire. The Governor shall appoint one member on or before July 1 of each year; provided that he shall make the first appointments for the following terms in the years indicated: One member for a term of one year, and one member for a term of two years in 1967; one member for a term of two years, one member for a term of three years and the member-at-large for a term of three years in 1968; one member for a term of three years, and one member for a term of four years in 1969. After the initial appointments, terms shall be for six years. Any vacancy on the Board shall be filled for the remainder of the term only and by the method of the original appointment. No person who has served a full six-year term shall be appointed to succeed himself. Members may be removed only for cause. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 2—103. Eff. April 6, 1967.

States ⇐31.

§ 2—104. Officers.—The Board shall elect a Chairman and Vice Chairman at the first meeting held after July 1 of each year. The Director shall be the Secretary of the Board, and shall have custody of all files and records of the Board. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 2—104. Eff. April 6, 1967.

§ 2—105. Meetings.—The Board shall meet at least once every three-month period. Additional meetings may be held upon call of the Chairman, Vice Chairman, in the absence of the Chairman, or the Secretary. Four voting members of the Board shall constitute a quorum. No question before the Board shall be resolved without the concurrence of at least four members or a majority of those members voting, whichever is the greater. Whenever circumstances require an immediate decision by the Board in the course of infervals between Board meetings, the Secretary may request the decision by mail or telegraph. The votes on these decisions must be unanimous. The question and the vote on it shall be entered in minutes of the next meeting of the Board. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 2—105. Eff. April 6, 1967.

§ 2—106. Powers and duties of the Board.—The Oklahoma Department of Libraries Board shall be the supervisory and policymaking body of the Department and shall:

(a) Appoint the Director, who shall possess the qualifications specified by Section 3—103, and shall hold office at the pleasure of the Board;

(b) Formulate the general policies of the Oklahoma Department of Libraries, in consultation with the Director;

(c) Review and approve the budget requests for the Department;

(d) Formulate standards for public and special libraries in consultation with the Director and his staff, and with the Oklahoma Council on Libraries and the Oklahoma Library Association;

(e) Utilize such standards as guidelines in accreditation of public libraries and library systems, provided public libraries, other than those in a library system, shall be accredited only when requests for that purpose are made by resolutions of the elected city, town, or county governing bodies appropriating funds for their operation; provided further that any metropolitan or city-county library system may be accredited when requests for that purpose are made by resolution of its governing board;

(f) Utilize such standards and accreditation as guidelines in approval of apportionment of State funds or Federal funds such as may be administered by a state agency to public libraries, library systems and special libraries and their use of such funds;

(g) Serve as an appeal board in the execution of Title II, U.S.Public Law 88-269,[1] including any amendments thereto, and any similar Federal legislative acts requiring such services;

(h) Approve the formation of library systems and designate areas for library districts;

(i) Maintain liaison with The Oklahoma Council on Libraries and the Oklahoma Library Association;

(j) Assist in communicating the goals, plans, budgets and work of the Department to executive, judicial and legislative officials, and to the public; and

(k) Adopt such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the intent and purposes of this Act. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 2—106. Eff. April 6, 1967.

[1] 20 U.S.C.A. § 351 et seq.

ARTICLE 3. DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARIES

§ 3—101. Creation of Department.—The Oklahoma Department of Libraries is hereby created. The Department shall be the official library agency of the State and shall discharge the responsibilities and exercise the authority of the State with respect to all public and special libraries. The Department shall cooperate with other State agencies, local units of government, Federal agencies and private individuals and organizations with respect to library facilities and services, or any allied or related facilities and services. The Oklahoma State Library is hereby incorporated into and made a part of the Department, and all property, facilities, funds, servi and powers of The Oklahoma State Libr are hereby transferred to the Department. The Department shall be responsible for the receipt and administration of all State funds and such Federal funds as may be administered by a State agency, may receive and administer private and other funds, for libraries, library services or any allied or related services.

The Department shall have its headquarters and shall maintain The State Library in the

State Capitol area, which library is hereby continued as heretofore provided. Branches or offices of the Department may be established under such conditions and terms and in such locations within the State as are deemed necessary. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 3—101. Eff. April 6, 1967.

States ⇨4.

§ 3—102. Department as official library of the State.—The Department shall constitute the official library of the State of Oklahoma. The Department shall have custody of all books, documents, facsimiles, films, maps, manuscripts, pamphlets, papers, charts, archives, periodicals, records, and any other materials or objects now in its possession or that may be acquired. No department or institution of State government, except institutions of higher learning, museums and the Oklahoma Historical Society, shall establish a library without prior approval of and except in cooperation with the Department; provided that this provision is not to prevent a State agency from having the minimal necessary and frequently used office copies of reference works, catalogs, legal reports or technical publications required to conduct its daily operations. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 3—102. Eff. April 6, 1967.

§ 3—103. Director and Assistant Director.—The offices of Director and Assistant Director are hereby created. The Director shall be appointed by the Board on the basis of merit and appropriate experience, shall possess a library degree from a library school accredited by the American Library Association and shall serve at the pleasure of the Board. Upon entering upon the duties of the office, the Director shall file an official bond with the Secretary of State as provided by 74 O.S.1961, §§ 601–605, as amended, in the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars ($15,000.00) for the safekeeping of library property in his care. The Assistant Director shall be appointed by the Director, with the approval of the Board, and shall be subject to the same qualifications as herein specified for the Director. The Director shall be the State Librarian and the State Archivist, which offices are hereby created. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 3—103. Eff. April 6, 1967.

§ 3—104. Duties of Director.—The Director shall be the administrative, executive, directing and supervising official of the Department under the supervision of and in accordance with policies established by the Board. He shall:

(a) Approve all requisitions and claims;

(b) Prepare budgets;

(c) Prepare the staff organization and position classification with the approval of the Board;

(d) Employ or terminate employment of all personnel as provided by 74 O.S.1961, §§ 801–839, as amended; and

(e) Make all reports, maintain all records and execute all instruments required by law or regulation and perform all duties necessary to discharge the functions of the Department.

The Director shall be accountable and responsible to all proper State and Federal officials for the activities of the Department. He shall be the representative of the State in all matters pertaining to the duties and services of the Department, or any other library, archival, public documents, reference, research, records, information and information processing functions, including all allied or related services, of the State government, or in which the State may participate; provided that he may designate a staff member of the Department to act as his agent under such conditions as he may prescribe. The Director, or any staff member of the Department designated by him, shall receive travel expense and per diem as provided by 74 O.S.1961, §§ 500.5–500.12, as amended, including necessary fees incurred in the exercise of his duties, or in attending conferences, institutes and meetings of library, reference, research, documentation and informational associations or bodies, or any allied or related groups. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 3—104. Eff. April 6, 1967.

States ⇨3.

§ 3—105. Functions of Department.—The departmental functions shall include but not be limited to library services, library research, library development, archival, records management and preservation, legislative reference, legal reference, general reference, library promotion and public information, informational, information processing and retrieval, government documents and any allied, cognate or related functions, and the Department shall be the authority of the State for these functions.

The Department is authorized and directed to discharge the State's responsibility for library service, including service to State government, to public and special libraries and library services, cooperation with and rendering of services to local units of government in the establishment and operation of local libraries and library systems, and the performance of all technical and other services necessary to the Department. The Department shall assist with and supervise the establishment and operation of libraries at all State institutions and agencies, except public schools and institutions of higher learning. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 3—105. Eff. April 6, 1967.

§ 3—106. Creation of divisions authorized.—There shall be created such divisions and subdivisions of the Department as are deemed necessary to effect the purposes of this Code. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 3—106. Eff. April 6, 1967.

§ 3—107. Appropriations and funds.—The Department may receive and use appropriations, gifts, bequests or grants from any source, public or private, and may take such action as may be necessary to receive such funds. It may contract with other agencies, organizations, libraries, library schools or the agencies of other gov-

ernments for library services, facilities, research or any allied or related purpose.

The Department is authorized to receive all money from departmental forfeitures, fees, sales of materials and services, payments for lost books and other receipts, and other miscellaneous sources, and all such income shall not be considered general revenue of the State, but shall be deposited with the State Treasurer to be credited directly to the Department account without appropriation. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 3—107. Eff. April 6, 1967.

§ 3—108. Participation in health insurance plans authorized.—The Department may participate in an approved health insurance program for fulltime employees and use appropriated funds for said purpose, either for the exclusive benefits of its staff or jointly with other such programs. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 3—108. Eff. April 6, 1967.

States ⇐64.1.

§ 3—109. Purchase, lease and disposal of real and personal property.—The Department is authorized to purchase, lease or otherwise acquire and hold title to and dispose of lands and buildings and other facilities, and materials, motor vehicles or other equipment, or to erect and equip buildings necessary in effecting the purposes of this Code. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 3—109. Eff. April 6, 1967.

§ 3—110. Publications.—The Department may compile, prepare and issue publications of any type related to and deemed necessary in effecting the purposes of this Code. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 3—110. Eff. April 6, 1967.

§ 3—111. Standards for library equipment.—The Department may prescribe standards for equipment and supplies purchased for its use and the use of units under its direction. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 3—111. Eff. April 6, 1967.

§ 3—112. Petty cash fund.—A petty cash fund of not more than Three Hundred Dollars ($300.00) is authorized. It shall be established and replenished by claims against appropriations. The fund may be used for postage due payments and for the purchase of minor items and services that cost less than Twenty-five Dollars ($25.00) each. Itemized receipts for all such purchases shall be secured and filed. The fund shall be audited by the State Examiner and Inspector as are other accounts of the Department. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 3—112. Eff. April 6, 1967.

§ 3—113. Postage.—The Department is authorized to buy postage stamps and postal cards in an amount not to exceed Five Hundred Dollars ($500.00) for any one fiscal year for the purpose of pre-paying the postage for the return of information or statistical materials, field operations and other like purposes. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 3—113. Eff. April 6, 1967.

§ 3—114. Deposit of State publications with Department.—Every agency, authority, department, commission, board, institution, office or officer of the State, except institutions of higher education, who issue or publish, at State expense, regardless of form, any book, chart, document, facsimile, map, paper, periodical, report, serial, survey or any other type of publication, including statutes, statute supplements and session laws, shall immediately deposit a minimum of one hundred copies with the Department, unless otherwise provided by the Director. Upon failure of an agency to comply, the Department shall refer the matter to the Attorney General who shall immediately institute appropriate action to secure the publications. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 3—114. Eff. April 6, 1967.

Laws 1971, p. 1047, S.C.R. No. 18, expresses legislative intent that publications produced at state expense be sent to the Department of Libraries.

§ 3—115. Exchange agreements.—The Department shall retain sufficient copies for its own use, and shall, pursuant to exchange agreements, send copies to the official library of each of the other states, territories and possessions of the United States. The Library of Congress, may exchange copies for the publications of other governments or organizations and may send copies upon request to other bodies or persons. The Department may sell any surplus publications at the fair market value and the receipts shall be deposited and used as provided herein for other miscellaneous collections. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 3—115. Eff. April 6, 1967.

ARTICLE 4. PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEMS

§ 4—101. Authority for establishment.—Counties, cities and towns are hereby authorized and empowered to join in creation, development, operation and maintenance of public library systems to serve multi-county districts, and to appropriate and allocate funds for the support of such systems. Such systems shall provide equitable library services to all persons in the district.

To insure the effective development of library service in all rural and urban areas, the creation and organization of library systems and the district to be served shall be subject to approval by the Oklahoma Department of Libraries Board in accordance with the provisions of Article X, Section 10A of the Oklahoma Constitution. After establishment, library systems shall be subject to accreditation by the Oklahoma Department of Libraries Board.

Parts of an adjacent county may be added to or included in multi-county systems if these additions are determined by agreement of the system board, the petitioning parties, and the Oklahoma Department of Libraries Board to be the most feasible way to provide public library services to such part of a county.

Special levies of any and all taxes authorized to be levied by counties, cities and towns under

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this and other Oklahoma Statutes as amended and the Oklahoma Constitution as amended are hereby authorized to be levied for support of library systems.

When any multi-county system is established under provisions of this act, existing public libraries in the district may be incorporated into the system under a unified administration by act of local governing bodies or vote of the people as provided in the procedure for establishment. Existing public libraries not incorporated into the system shall have the same relationship to the system as similar public libraries outside the district have to the local system and to other systems. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 4—101. Eff. April 6, 1967.

Counties ⇐22, 157; Municipal Corporations ⇐57.

§ 4—102. Procedure for establishment and termination.—A library system may be created by resolution or ordinance approved by the Boards of County Commissioners and by the governing bodies of all cities or towns of two thousand or more according to the latest U. S. Census within the proposed district, or by the county seat town if no city or town within a county has a population of at least two thousand, subject to approval by the Oklahoma Department of Libraries Board. Such resolution and ordinances shall specify the type of system to be created, the district to be served, organization of the governing board of the system, proposed financing including agreement to call for a vote of the people as necessary for special tax levies, and shall constitute application for approval by the Oklahoma Department of Libraries Board when submitted to the Board.

A library system may be created upon initiative of the county, city and town governing bodies concerned, or upon presentation of petitions to the Board of County Commissioners of each county signed by not less than ten percent of the qualified electors of each county voting in the latest preceding general election. Upon receipt of such petitions, the Board of County Commissioners of each county shall forthwith call for a county-wide vote on the proposed library system.

When approval of the proposed system is granted by the Oklahoma Department of Libraries Board, the county, city and town governing bodies shall proceed with appointment of the system board and financing.

After approval of the Oklahoma Department of Libraries Board for creation of the system, the county, city and town governing bodies, or the governing board of the library system, may request demonstration library services by the Oklahoma Department of Libraries and/or a grant of funds for interim services before approval of special tax levies by the people of the district.

The Boards of County Commissioners and the governing bodies of cities and towns involved in creation of a library system, and the governing board of the library system, are authorized to enter into contracts and agreements by and between such governing bodies and with other such library systems, special and school and college libraries, and the Oklahoma Department of Libraries in effecting the purposes of this Article and other Articles of this Code.

After a system has been created, another county or counties may be added to the system by action of the governing bodies of the applicant counties and cities as provided in the procedure for establishment.

Any library system created under the provisions of this Code may be terminated, or a part thereof may withdraw and resulting special tax levies shall be discontinued only by majority vote of qualified electors voting in an election called by petitions signed by not less than twenty percent of the qualified electors voting in the latest preceding general election of the county or counties wishing to terminate or withdraw.

This provision for termination of all or a part of a library system shall not prohibit the reorganization of any system, or the transfer of part of a system to another system or the merging of systems, by act of the county, city and town governing bodies with approval of the Oklahoma Department of Libraries Board, provided that such changes do not result in termination of library service in any other area for which such service has been approved. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 4—102. Eff. April 6, 1967.

§ 4—103. Governing boards—Membership—Tenure — Qualifications — Compensation. — (a) The Board of Trustees of a library system containing two or more counties, herein defined as a multi-county library system, shall consist of at least five members. There shall be at least one member from each county appointed by the Board of County Commissioners. Additional members shall be appointed for each city within the system with a population of two thousand or more, with these appointments to be made by the governing body of the city. In counties with no city with a population of two thousand or more, a member shall be appointed by the governing body of the county seat city or town. Should the board serving a multi-county unit result in fewer than five members, additional board members shall be appointed on a proportional basis agreed upon by the county governments involved.

(b) Initial appointments shall be distributed among one-, two- and three-year terms, with one-third of the appointments to be made for one year, one-third to be made for two years, and one-third for three years. Subsequent appointments shall be for three-year terms, except in the case of an appointment to fill a vacancy in the membership of the system board, which appointment shall be for the remainder of the unexpired term of the member where death, resignation or removal has created the vacancy. No person shall serve more than two full, successive terms. All tenure of initial and future

appointees shall expire on June 30 of the designated year. A member of a system board once qualified can thereafter be removed by the appointive authority during his term of office only for misconduct or neglect of duty.

(c) Appointments to the system board shall be made on the basis of ability, a sound understanding of the total responsibilities and objectives of public libraries and an active interest in the attainment of these comprehensive goals. Appointive members shall be qualified electors and bona fide residents of the counties from which they are appointed. No member of the system board shall in any way be connected with the business of publishing or selling books, periodicals or other forms of library materials nor with the business of manufacturing or selling library supplies or equipment.

(d) All system board members shall serve thereon without compensation except actual and necessary travel expenses as authorized by 74 O.S. 1961, §§ 500.5, 500.8–500.11, inclusive, or any amendments thereto. Individual memberships for systems board members in state, regional, and national library associations and expenses incurred in attending conferences of these associations, board meetings and other library and library related meetings may be paid from library funds upon proper authorization of the Board. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 4—103. Eff. April 6, 1967.

§ 4—104. System board of trustees—Officers—Meetings—Quorum.—The system board shall elect a chairman, vice chairman, and treasurer from the appointed members. The term of the officers shall be one year.

The system board shall meet as often as is required to transact necessary business and all meetings shall be open to the public, except for matters concerning personnel as set forth in 25 O.S.1961, §§ 201–202. It shall adopt rules for the transaction of business and keep a record of its functions and activities, which record shall be a public record.

A majority of the board membership shall constitute a quorum. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 4—104. Eff. April 6, 1967.

§ 4—105. System board of trustees—Powers and duties.—(a) Every system board created by this Code shall have all powers necessary or convenient for the accomplishment of the purpose and provisions hereof, including, in addition to others granted in this Article, the following powers:

(1) To operate and maintain a library system and to adopt such rules and regulations for the operation thereof as may be deemed necessary or expedient.

(2) To purchase, lease, or otherwise acquire land or buildings or portions of buildings for library purposes.

(3) To erect, maintain, and operate public library buildings at one or more places.

(4) To accept transfer of any existing public library or libraries by lease or other conveyance.

(5) To acquire, by purchase or otherwise, books and other personal property customarily used in the operation of public libraries including necessary motor vehicles.

(6) To sell and dispose of personal property acquired by purchase or any other means when by proper resolution the board finds that said property is not needed for library purposes.

(7) To acquire, accept, hold, and convey legal title to interest in real property in the name of the system board. Deeds or other conveyances of said interests in real property shall be executed for and on behalf of the system board by the chairman and shall be attested by the secretary upon proper resolution of the Board.

(8) To accept or decline donations tendered to the library system.

(9) To administer the expenditure of any funds which may become available for library purposes.

(10) To establish a schedule of fees to cover various services rendered and also to contract with other persons, including legal counsel and independent certified public or certified municipal accounting service, within the limits of its appropriations, and to incur necessary expenses. This subsection shall not be construed to preclude the use of the appropriate District Attorney or Assistant District Attorney for legal counsel and the State Examiner and Inspector for auditing services.

(11) To apply, contract for, receive and take advantage of any or all allocations of funds which may be available to the system board for library or library related purposes and services under the laws and regulations of the United States, the State of Oklahoma, or any other state, or any organization, agency, instrumentality or subdivision of these entities or undertake or contract for joint activities or programs with the United States, the State of Oklahoma or any other state, and any organization, agency, instrumentality, or subdivision of these entities pertaining to library or library related purposes or services; and to prepare and submit plans, specifications, reports or applications, to execute any agreements, to employ, fix duties and compensation of personnel, and to administer and direct any programs, plans or projects in connection with any of the foregoing.

(12) To do all other things necessary or desirable to carry out the purposes and provisions of this Code.

(b) It shall be the duty of the system board to prepare an annual budget which shall be filed on or before June 1 with the Boards of County Commissioners, The Oklahoma Department of Libraries, State Board of Equalization, and with cities and towns which participate in financial support of the system. The system board shall also submit an annual audit of its income and expenditures within ninety days following the close of the fiscal year to the Boards of County Commissioners, the Oklahoma Department of

Libraries and with cities and towns which participate in financial support of the system.

(c) In the case of withdrawal of a county or abolishing of a library system, disposal of the assets, including capital equipment and other property of the library district, shall be made in the most equitable manner possible as determined by the Oklahoma Department of Libraries Board, who shall give consideration to such items as the original source of the property, the amount of funds raised from each county of the system, and the ability of the counties to make further use of such property or equipment for library purposes.

(d) Funds levied and collected pursuant to Article 10, Section 10–A of the Oklahoma Constitution shall be controlled and administered under the direction of the system board.

(e) Other funds contributed from Federal, State, county and city governments, and from any other source shall be deposited in the independent library account following such procedures as may be agreed upon by the contributing agency, the system board, and the Oklahoma Department of Libraries Board.

(f) Vouchers shall be drawn by such officers or employees as prescribed by the system board. Each designated officer or employee shall give a faithful performance bond approved by the system board in a sum determined by the board and sufficient in amount to equal the estimated largest sum of money which will be disbursed at any one time. Premiums for such bond may be paid from funds of the library system. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 4—105. Eff. April 6, 1967.

§ 4—106. Personnel.—(a) The system board shall appoint a librarian of the library system on the basis of merit and experience. Such librarian shall be a graduate of a library school accredited by the American Library Association. The librarian shall be the administrative, executive and supervisory officer of the library and secretary to the system board. The librarian shall serve at the discretion of the system board.

(b) The librarian may appoint and remove staff members and other employees, subject to the approval of the system board.

(c) The librarian and staff shall receive actual and necessary travel expenses as set forth in 74 O.S.1961, §§ 500.5, 500.8–500.11 inclusive, or any amendments thereto, which expenses may be paid from the funds of the library system upon authorization of the board.

(d) The system board may establish or participate in employee retirement and health insurance programs either for the exclusive benefit of its staff or jointly and, in conjunction with city, county, State, or other retirement systems, may expend upon authorization of the board funds allocated by the board for such purposes. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 4—106. Eff. April 6, 1967.

§ 4—107. Financing.—Library systems are hereby authorized and empowered to receive and allocate funds for establishment, development and maintenance of library facilities and services through special library tax levies as hereinafter provided and other funds, including appropriations from city, town and county general funds, State and Federal grants-in-aid, and other public and private funds. All such funds received and appropriated may be used for library services throughout the library district.

(a) The governing boards of cities, towns, counties, and library systems established by vote of the people, as authorized, may submit to a vote of the people special tax levies of any tax or taxes which are or may be authorized for levying in and by cities, towns, counties and library system districts.

(b) The initial financing of any library system established under this Act shall be approved by the Oklahoma Department of Libraries Board. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 4—107. Eff. April 6, 1967.

Counties ⇨192.

§ 4—108. Effect of Act on existing and new systems.—(a) All library systems created after the effective date of this Act shall be created under the provisions of this Code.

(b) All library systems created before the effective date of this Code and financed under the provisions of Article X, Section 10A of the Oklahoma Constitution shall be deemed to be created under the provisions of this Act and shall within three years conform to the provisions of Section 4—103; provided, however, that this subsection (b) shall not apply to a library system organized and operating under the Metropolitan Library Act, Chapter 192 of 1965 Oklahoma Session Laws,[1] or the Oklahoma City-County Library Act.[2] Laws 1967, c. 45, § 4—108. Eff. April 6, 1967.

[1] Sections 551 to 561 of this Title.
[2] Sections 151 to 161 of this Title.

§ 4—109. Metropolitan systems—Procedure for operating under this Code—Board of Trustees.—(a) This Act shall not apply to a metropolitan system as defined by § 1—104(c) unless and until such metropolitan system shall elect to become subject to and operate under the provisions of this Code upon the adoption of resolutions for that purpose by the Library Commission of that metropolitan system, the Board of County Commissioners and the governing board of the largest city in the county. Such resolutions shall be filed with The Oklahoma Department of Libraries and when approved by The Oklahoma Department of Libraries Board, the metropolitan library system shall forthwith proceed to operate as provided by this Code.

(b) Any part of a county may be added to or included in a metropolitan system if said part of a county is within the official limits of a municipality included in such metropolitan system.

(c) The Board of Trustees of a library system containing at least one county but less than

two counties, herein defined as a metropolitan library system, shall consist of eleven members. Six members shall be appointed by the mayor of the county seat city of the county served in its entirety, subject to approval of the governing body of the city. Three members shall be appointed by the Board of County Commissioners of the county served in its entirety. The mayor of the city and the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners shall be ex-officio members of the Board of Trustees and shall be entitled to vote on all matters. Three additional non-voting members may be appointed by the Board of County Commissioners of any county served in part by such system: provided, however, this subsection (c) shall not apply to a metropolitan library system organized and operating under Chapter 192 of 1965 Oklahoma Session Laws [1] or the Oklahoma City-County Library Act [2] unless and until the three resolutions contemplated by subsection (a) of this section have been adopted and filed. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 4—109. Eff. April 6, 1967.

[1] Sections 551 to 561 of this Title.
[2] Sections 151 to 161 of this Title.

§ 4—110. Grants-in-aid funds.—All counties or cities not covered by this Code shall be considered in the allocation of State or Federal funds which now are or may hereafter become available for distribution. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 4—110. Eff. April 6, 1967.

ARTICLE 5. INTER-LOCAL CO-OPERATIVE AGREEMENTS

§ 5—101. Inter-local agreements.—In addition to the powers authorized by Chapter 189, Oklahoma Session Laws 1965, Sections 1-9,[1] providing for inter-local cooperation among governmental agencies, libraries covered by this Code shall have the power to contract with private agencies under the same terms and conditions as stated in that Act. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 5—101. Eff. April 6, 1967.

[1] Sections 1001 to 1008 of Title 74, State Officers and Employees.

ARTICLE 6. INTERSTATE COMPACT FOR LIBRARY SERVICE

§ 6—101. Text of compact.—The Interstate Library Compact is hereby enacted into law and entered into by this State with all states legally joining herein in the form substantially as follows:

INTERSTATE LIBRARY COMPACT

ARTICLE I. POLICY AND PURPOSE

Because the desire for the services provided by libraries transcends governmental boundaries and can most effectively be satisfied by giving such services to communities and people regardless of jurisdictional lines, it is the policy of the states party to this compact to cooperate and share their responsibilities; to authorize cooperation and sharing with respect to those types of library facilities and services which can be more economically or efficiently developed and maintained on a cooperative basis, and to authorize cooperation and sharing among localities, states and others in providing joint or cooperative library services in areas where the distribution of population or of existing and potential library resources make the provision of library service on an interstate basis the most effective way of providing adequate and efficient service.

ARTICLE II. DEFINITIONS

As used in this compact:

(a) "Public library agency" means any unit or agency of local or state government operating or having power to operate a library.

(b) "Private library agency" means any non-governmental entity which operates or assumes a legal obligation to operate a library.

(c) "Library agreement" means a contract establishing an interstate library district pursuant to this compact or providing for the joint or co-operative furnishing of library services.

ARTICLE III. INTERSTATE LIBRARY DISTRICTS

(a) Any one or more public library agencies in a party state in cooperation with any public library agency or agencies in one or more other party states may establish and maintain an interstate library district. Subject to the provisions of this compact and any other laws of the party states which pursuant hereto remain applicable, such district may establish, maintain and operate some or all of the library facilities and services for the area concerned in accordance with the terms of a library agreement therefor. Any private library agency or agencies within an interstate library district may cooperate therewith, assume duties, responsibilities and obligations thereto, and receive benefits therefrom as provided in any library agreement to which such agency or agencies become party.

(b) Within an interstate library district, and as provided by a library agreement, the performance of library functions may be undertaken on a joint or cooperative basis or may be undertaken by means of one or more arrangements between or among public or private library agencies for the extension of library privileges to the use of facilities or services operated or rendered by one or more of the individual library agencies.

(c) If a library agreement provides for joint establishment, maintenance or operation of library facilities or services by an interstate library district, such district shall have power to do any one or more of the following in accordance with such library agreement:

1. Undertake, administer and participate in programs or arrangements for securing, lending or servicing of books and other publications, any other materials suitable to be kept or made available by libraries, library equipment or for the dissemination of information about librar-

ies, the value and significance of particular items therein, and the use thereof.

2. Accept for any of its purposes under this compact any and all donations, and grants of money, equipment, supplies, materials, and services (conditional or otherwise), from any state or the United States or any subdivision or agency thereof, or interstate agency, or from any institution, person, firm or corporation, and receive, utilize and dispose of the same.

3. Operate mobile library units or equipment for the purpose of rendering bookmobile service within the district.

4. Employ professional, technical, clerical and other personnel, and fix terms of employment, compensation and other appropriate benefits; and where desirable, provide for the in-service training of such personnel.

5. Sue and be sued in any court of competent jurisdiction.

6. Acquire, hold, and dispose of any real or personal property or any interest or interests therein as may be appropriate to the rendering of library service.

7. Construct, maintain and operate a library, including any appropriate branches thereof.

8. Do such other things as may be incidental to or appropriate for the carrying out of any of the foregoing powers.

ARTICLE IV. INTERSTATE LIBRARY DISTRICTS, GOVERNING BOARD

(a) An interstate library district which establishes, maintains or operates any facilities or services in its own right shall have a governing board which shall direct the affairs of the district and act for it in all matters relating to its business. Each participating public library agency in the district shall be represented on the governing board which shall be organized and conduct its business in accordance with provision therefor in the library agreement. But in no event shall a governing board meet less often than twice a year.

(b) Any private library agency or agencies party to agreement establishing an interstate library district may be represented on or advise with the governing board of the district in such manner as the library agreement may provide.

ARTICLE V. STATE LIBRARY AGENCY COOPERATION

Any two or more state library agencies of two or more of the party states may undertake and conduct joint or cooperative library programs, render joint or cooperative library services, and enter into and perform arrangements for the cooperative or joint acquisition, use, housing and disposition of items or collections of materials which, by reason of expense, rarity, specialized nature, or infrequency of demand therefor would be appropriate for central collection and shared use. Any such programs, services or arrangements may include provision for the exercise on a cooperative or joint basis of any power exercisable by an interstate library district and an agreement embodying any such program, service or arrangement shall contain provisions covering the subjects detailed in Article VI of this compact for interstate library agreements.

ARTICLE VI. LIBRARY AGREEMENTS

(a) In order to provide for any joint or cooperative undertaking pursuant to this compact, public and private library agencies may enter into library agreements. Any agreement executed pursuant to the provisions of this compact shall, as among the parties to the agreement:

1. Detail the specific nature of the services, programs, facilities, arrangements or properties to which it is applicable.

2. Provide for the allocation of costs and other financial responsibilities.

3. Specify the respective rights, duties, obligations and liabilities of the parties.

4. Set forth the terms and conditions for duration, renewal, termination, abrogation, disposal of joint or common property, if any, and all other matters which may be appropriate to the proper effectuation and performance of the agreement.

(b) No public or private library agency shall undertake to exercise itself or jointly with any other library agency, by means of a library agreement, any power prohibited to such agency by the constitution or statutes of its state.

(c) No library agreement shall become effective until filed with the compact administrator of each state involved, and approved in accordance with Article VII of this compact.

ARTICLE VII. APPROVAL OF LIBRARY AGREEMENTS

(a) Every library agreement made pursuant to this compact shall, prior to and as a condition precedent to its entry into force, be submitted to the attorney general of each state in which a public library agency party thereto is situated, who shall determine whether the agreement is a proper form and compatible with the laws of his state. The attorneys general shall approve any agreement submitted to them unless they shall find that it does not meet the conditions set forth herein and shall detail in writing addressed to the governing bodies of the public library agencies concerned the specific respects in which the proposed agreement fails to meet the requirements of law. Failure to disapprove an agreement submitted hereunder within ninety days of its submission shall constitute approval thereof.

(b) In the event that a library agreement made pursuant to this compact shall deal in whole or in part with the provision of services or facilities with regard to which an officer or agency of the state government has constitu-

tional or statutory powers of control, the agreement shall, as a condition precedent to its entry into force, be submitted to the state officer or agency having such power of control and shall be approved or disapproved by him or it as to all matters within his or its jurisdiction in the same manner and subject to the same requirements governing the action of the attorneys general pursuant to paragraph (a) of this article. This requirement of submission and approval shall be in addition to and not in substitution for the requirement of submission to and approval by the attorneys general.

ARTICLE VIII. OTHER LAWS APPLICABLE

Nothing in this compact or in any library agreement shall be construed to supersede, alter or otherwise impair any obligation imposed on any library by otherwise applicable law, nor to authorize the transfer or disposition of any property held in trust by a library agency in a manner contrary to the terms of such trust.

ARTICLE IX. APPROPRIATIONS AND AID

(a) Any public library agency party to a library agreement may appropriate funds to the interstate library district established thereby in the same manner and to the same extent as to a library wholly maintained by it and, subject to the laws of the state in which such public library agency is situated, may pledge its credit in support of an interstate library district established by the agreement.

(b) Subject to the provisions of the library agreement pursuant to which it functions and the laws of the states in which such district is situated, an interstate library district may claim and receive any state and federal aid which may be available to library agencies.

ARTICLE X. COMPACT ADMINISTRATOR

Each state shall designate a compact administrator with whom copies of all library agreements to which his state or any public library agency thereof is party shall be filed. The administrator shall have such other powers as may be conferred upon him by the laws of his state and may consult and cooperate with the compact administrators of other party states and take such steps as may effectuate the purposes of this compact. If the laws of a party state so provide, such state may designate one or more deputy compact administrators in addition to its compact administrators.

ARTICLE XI. ENTRY INTO FORCE AND WITHDRAWAL

(a) This compact shall enter into force and effect immediately upon its enactment into law by any two states. Thereafter, it shall enter into force and effect as to any other state upon the enactment thereof by such state.

(b) This compact shall continue in force with respect to a party state and remain binding upon such state until six months after such state has given notice to each other party state of the repeal thereof. Such withdrawal shall not be construed to relieve any party to a library agreement entered into pursuant to this compact from any obligation of that agreement prior to the end of its duration as provided therein.

ARTICLE XII. CONSTRUCTION AND SEVERABILITY

This compact shall be liberally construed so as to effectuate the purposes thereof. The provisions of this compact shall be severable and if any phrase, clause, sentence or provision of this compact is declared to be contrary to the constitution of any party state or of the United States or the applicability thereof to any government, agency, person or circumstance is held invalid, the validity of the remainder of this compact and the applicability thereof to any government, agency, person or circumstance shall not be affected thereby. If this compact shall be held contrary to the constitution of any state party thereto, the compact shall remain in full force and effect as to the remaining states and in full force and effect as to the state affected as to all severable matters. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 6—101. Eff. April 6, 1967.

Complementary Legislation:
Colo.—C.R.S. '63, 74-16-1 to 74-16-7.
Conn.—C.G.S.A. §§ 11-38 to 11-43.
Idaho—I.C. §§ 33-2501 to 33-2509.
Ill.—S.H.A. ch. 81, §§ 191 to 194.
Ind.—I.C.1971, §§ 20-17-25-1 to 20-13-20-4.
Iowa—I.C.A. §§ 303.24 to 303.27.
La.—LSA-R.S. 25:631 to 25:636.
Me.—27 M.R.S.A. §§ 111-152.
Mass.—G.L.A. c. 78 App. §§ 1-1 to 1-6.
Minn.—M.S.A. §§ 134.21 to 134.24.
Mont.—Laws 1967, c. 119.
N.H.—RSA 201-B:1 to 201-B:6.
N.M.—L.1969, c. 20.
N.Y.—McK.Educ.Law § 297.
N.C.—Laws 1967, c. 190.
N.D.—Laws 1965, c. 359.
Ore.—Laws 1965, c. 554.
R.I.—Gen.Laws 1956, §§ 29-5-1 to 29-5-6.
Vt.—22 V.S.A. §§ 21-45.
Va.—Acts 1970, c. 267.
Wash.—RCWA 27.18.010 to 27.18.050.
Wis.—W.S.A. 43.25 note.
States ⇨ 4.

§ 6—102. Compliance with applicable laws.—No library system, county, city or town of this State shall be a party to a library agreement which provides for the construction or maintenance of a library pursuant to Article III, Subdivision (c) 7 of the compact,[1] nor pledge its credit in support of such a library, or contribute to the capital financing thereof, except after compliance with any laws applicable to such library system, county, city or town relating to or governing capital outlays and the pledging of credit. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 6—102. Eff. April 6, 1967.

[1] Section 6—101 of this title.

§ 6—103. State library agency.—As used in the compact,[1] "state library agency," with reference to this State, means the Oklahoma Department of Libraries. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 6—103. Eff. April 6, 1967.

[1] Section 6—101 of this title.

§ 6—104. Districts lying partly within State.—An interstate library district lying partly

within this State may claim and be entitled to receive state aid in support of any of its functions to the same extent and in the same manner as such functions are eligible for support when carried on by entities wholly within this State. For the purposes of computing and apportioning state aid to an interstate library district, this State will consider that portion of the area which lies within this State as an independent entity for the performance of the aided function or functions and compute and apportion the aid accordingly. Subject to any applicable laws of this State, such a district also may apply for and be entitled to receive any federal aid for which it may be eligible. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 7—104. Eff. April 6, 1967.

§ 6—105. Administrator.—The Director of the Department of Libraries shall be the administrator pursuant to Article X of the compact.[1] The Director shall appoint a deputy compact administrator pursuant to said article. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 6—105. Eff. April 6, 1967.

[1] Section 6—101 of this title.

§ 6—106. Withdrawal from compact.—In the event of withdrawal from the compact [1] the Director shall send and receive any notices required by Article XI(b) of the compact. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 6—106. Eff. April 6, 1967.

[1] Section 6—101 of this title.

§ 6—107. Effective date of compact.—This compact [1] shall become effective upon adoption by the Legislature and approval by the Governor. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 6—107. Eff. April 6, 1967.

[1] Section 6—101 of this title.

ARTICLE 7. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

§ 7—101. Liberal interpretation.—The provisions of this Code shall be liberally construed to effect the purpose and object hereof. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 7—101. Eff. April 6, 1967.

Statutes ⊂⇒171.

§ 7—102. Effect of headings.—Article and section headings contained herein shall not be deemed to govern, limit, modify or in any manner affect the scope, meaning or intent of the provisions of any article or section hereof. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 7—102. Eff. April 6, 1967.

§ 7—103. Severability.—The provisions of this Act are severable and if any provisions herein or the application thereto to any person, institution or circumstance shall be held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions of this Act. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 7—103. Eff. April 6, 1967.

Statutes ⊂⇒64.

§ 7—104. Repeal.—65 O.S.1961, §§ 7.1, 7.2, 7.3, 7.4, 7.5, 8, 8.1, 8.2, 21, 22, 23, 24 as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 129, Oklahoma Session Laws 1965, 25 as amended by Section 2 of Chapter 129, Oklahoma Session Laws 1965, 26 as amended by Section 3 of Chapter 129, Oklahoma Session Laws 1965, 28 as amended by Section 4 of Chapter 129, Oklahoma Session Laws 1965, 29 as amended by Section 5 of Chapter 129, Oklahoma Session Laws 1965, 31, 33, 36, 37, 40, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 91, 92, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, are hereby repealed and all other laws or parts of laws inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 7—104. Eff. April 6, 1967.

§ 7—105. Effect of repeal.—Repeal by this Code of any Act shall not have the effect of reviving any prior law theretofore repealed or superseded by such repealed Act. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 7—105. Eff. April 6, 1967.

§ 7—106. Emergency.—It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this Act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval. Laws 1967, c. 45, § 7—106. Eff. April 6, 1967.

CHAPTER 1.—STATE LIBRARIAN AS SUCCESSOR OF OKLAHOMA LIBRARY COMMISSION

§§ 1 to 7. Repealed. Laws 1953, p. 219, § 8.

From Laws 1919, ch. 32, pp. 51, 52, §§ 1-6; Laws 1923, p. 37, § 30; C.S.1921, §§ 10657-10662; St.1931, §§ 4918-4922.

§§ 7.1 to 8.2 Repealed. Laws 1965, c. 129, § 6; Laws 1967, c. 45, § 7—104. Eff. April 6, 1967.

From Laws 1953, pp. 317 to 319, §§ 1 to 9.

CHAPTER 2.—STATE LIBRARY

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec.
21 to 40. Repealed.
41. Extension or operation of library services—grants—purchase of personal property.
42. Authorization to receive any available assistance.
43. Provisions cumulative.

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE DIVISION

45 to 53. Repealed.

AUTOMATED DATA PROCESSING

55. Automated data processing and information center.
56. Subjects included in system.
57. Powers and duties of librarian.
58. Provisions cumulative.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

§§ 21 to 40. Repealed. Laws 1941, p. 462, § 1; Laws 1941, p. 463, § 3; Laws 1965, c. 129, § 6; Laws 1967, c. 45, § 7—104. Eff. April 6, 1967.

From:
St.1893, §§ 5995 to 6010.
St.1903, §§ 6645 to 6660.
Comp.Laws 1909, §§ 8600 to 8615.
P.L.1910, §§ 7240 to 7256.
Laws 1913, c. 122, p. 235, § 1.
Laws 1913, c. 159, pp. 327, 328, §§ 1, 3, 8.
C.S.1921, §§ 9506 to 9510.
C.S.1921, §§ 9512 to 9525.
St.1931, § 4902.
St.1931, § 4917.
St.1931, §§ 4931 to 4946.

§ 41. Extension or operation of library services—Grants—Purchase of personal property.—In the administration of any State plan for the extension or operation of library services of any type, or of any allied or related services, the State Librarian and Archivist may, from funds

law. Added State Question No. 434. Referendum Petition No. 155, adopted special election May 24, 1966.

Addition proposed by Laws 1965, p. 1235, H.J.R.No.520.

§ 10. Increased rate for public buildings or for building fund for school districts.—For the purpose of erecting public buildings in counties or cities, or for the purpose of raising money for a building fund for a school district which may be used for erecting, remodeling or repairing school buildings, and for purchasing furniture, the rates of taxation herein limited may be increased, when the rate of such increase and the purpose for which it is intended shall have been submitted to a vote of the people, and a majority of the qualified voters of such county, city, or school district, voting at such election, shall vote therefor: Provided, that such increase shall not exceed five (5) mills on the dollar of the assessed value of the taxable property in such county, city, or school district. As amended State Question No. 368, Referendum Petition No. 109. Adopted special election April 5, 1955.

Amendment proposed by Laws 1955, p. 561, H.J.R.No. 504.

St.1931, § 13643.

Construction.—State ex rel. Grimes v. Board of Education of Oklahoma City, 156 Okl. 665, 59 P.2d 876; Protest of Chicago, R. I. & P. Ry. Co., 160 Okl. 226, 16 P.2d 855; Eakin v. Chapman, 44 Okl. 51, 143 P. 21; Pushmataha County, Okl., Excise Bd. v. St. Louis-San Francisco Ry. Co., Okl., 354 P.2d 404.

This section and section 9 of this article do not conflict with section 26. Oklahoma County Excise Board v. Kurn, 189 Okl. 203, 115 P.2d 113.

Current expenses.—Oklahoma News Co. v. Ryan, 101 Okl. 151, 224 P. 909.

School buildings and equipment.—Pottawatomie County Excise Board v. Standish Pipe Line Co., 189 Okl. 201, 115 P.2d 118; Oklahoma County Excise Board v. Kurn, 189 Okl. 203, 115 P.2d 113; Lone Star Gas Co. v. Bryan County Excise Board, 192 Okl. 16, 141 P.2d 82.

Bleachers on football field.—Lowden v. Jefferson County Excise Board, 190 Okl. 276, 122 P.2d 991.

Public Libraries.—Board of County Com'rs of Tulsa County v. Williamson, Okl., 370 P.2d 877.

Counties ⇐190(2); Municipal Corporations ⇐957(4); Schools and School Districts ⇐163(2).

§ 10A. Tax levy for cooperative county libraries and joint city-county libraries.—To provide funds for the purpose of establishing and maintaining or aiding in establishing and maintaining public libraries and library services, a special annual recurring ad valorem tax levy of not less than one (1) mill nor more than two (2) mills on the dollar of the assessed valuation of all taxable property in the county shall be levied when such levy is approved by a majority vote of the qualified electors of the county voting on the question at an election called for that purpose by the Board of County Commissioners, either upon its own initiative or upon petition initiated by not less than ten (10) per cent of the qualified electors of the county based on the total number of votes cast at the last general election for the county office receiving the highest number of votes at such an election. This special levy shall be in addition to all other levies and when authorized shall be made each fiscal year thereafter until such authority shall be cancelled by a majority vote of the qualified electors of the county voting on the question at an election called for that purpose by the Board of County Commissioners upon petition initiated by not less than twenty (20) per cent of the qualified electors of the county based on the total number of votes cast at the last general election for the county office receiving the highest number of votes at such an election.

In counties having a population of less than two hundred fifty thousand (250,000), according to the most recent Federal Decennial Census, the proceeds of such levy shall be used by the county only for such public libraries and library services as are in cooperation with one (1) or more other counties having such population of less than 250,000; and in counties having a population of more than two hundred fifty thousand (250,000), according to the most recent Federal Decennial Census, the proceeds of such levy shall be used by the county only for joint city-county public libraries and library services. Nothing herein shall prohibit other levies for public libraries and library services or the use of other public funds for such purposes. All expenditures of the proceeds of such levies shall be made in accordance with laws heretofore or hereafter enacted concerning such libraries and library services. The provisions hereof shall be self-executing. Added State Question No. 392, Referendum Petition No. 127. Adopted election July 26, 1960.

Addition proposed by Laws 1959, p. 470, H.J.R.No.540.

§ 11. Officer receiving interest, profit or perquisites.—The receiving, directly or indirectly, by any officer of the State, or of any county, city, or town, or member or officer of the Legislature, of any interest, profit, or perquisites arising from the use or loan of public funds in his hands, or moneys to be raised through his agency for State, city, town, district, or county purposes shall be deemed a felony. Said offense shall be punished as may be prescribed by law, a part of which punishment shall be disqualification to hold office.

St.1931, § 13644.

Liability for interest.—West v. Board of Com'rs of Caddo County, 59 Okl. 169, 158 P. 254.

Information.—State v. West, 14 Okl.Cr. 410, 171 P. 1125; State v. West, 14 Okl.Cr. 495, 171 P. 1127.

87 A.L.R. 168; Officers ⇐31, 121.

§ 12. Special forms of taxation—Amounts—Reference to Federal taxation.—The Legislature shall have power to provide for the levy and collection of license, franchise, gross revenue, excise, income, collateral and direct inheritance, legacy, and succession taxes; also graduated income taxes, graduated collateral and direct inheritance taxes, graduated legacy and succession taxes; also stamp, registration, production or other specific taxes.

In the exercise of the powers provided for in this section, and notwithstanding any other provision of this Constitution, the Legislature

Vision 'Show and Tell.'

National Library Week Notes Founding And Progress Of City-Alfalfa County Library

National Library Week was celebrated last week, prompting a look at the Cherokee City-County Library, which was started in 1910 in an upstairs building in downtown Cherokee.

The library was housed later in the Alfalfa County Courthouse prior to moving to the present facility which was built in the early 1930s as a WPA project.

The City of Cherokee and Alfalfa County finance the library jointly. Any resident in the county is eligible to check out books from the 21,000 volumes presently housed at the library. In order to check out books one must make application in person for a library card, which is free of charge. Most books are checked out free of charge, with a two cents a day fine for overdue books. There is a five cent a week fee to check out new books as long as they are in great demand.

Mrs. Eldon Berry, the librarian, tries to keep a good percentage of the top ten books available. At the present time eight of the ten are on hand including "The Glory And The Dream" by William Manchester, a two volume set which was written for the bicentennial, "Meeting At Potsdam," "Mullendore Murder Case," "The Bermuda Triangle," "Massacre At Fall Creek" and "The Money Changers."

Many volumes have been added to the library through gifts. Among which is a library of 150 valuable geneaology books belonging to the late Mrs. Ralph Dorr. The books and cases have been kept in order by the Robert Coe Chapter of Colonial Dames, of which Mrs. Dorr was a member. The late Mrs. Lotus Warchime was a volunteer helper with the collection and gave many hours to keeping them in order.

Books and publications which cannot be checked out are available for in-library use. These include rare books, resource books, Encyclopedia Britanica, Britanica Jr., American and World Book. Also popular magazines such as "Time," "Life," "US News," "Popular Science," "America"

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National Library Week

and "Readers Digest."

Another popular facility in the library is the film strip television and show and tell records. Other services include the more than 200 records, a record player and talking books for persons with sight-handicaps.

A new service implemented recently is a copy machine, which was purchased with funds from a memorial to the late Wilford J. Hill, a prominent Cherokee attorney who was a friend of the library, and completed with funds from the City of Cherokee. The service enables persons to have copies of materials from rare books and from those resource volumes which cannot be checked out. The cost is 10 cents per sheet and is invaluable to students working on term papers or special reports.

During the summer the library board hires a college girl for eight weeks to help with the heavy reading load and to help with a volunteer reading insentive program for the first through sixth grades. Materials for the special program are furnished by the Oklahoma Library Association.

The library is open week days Monday through Friday from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. and on Saturday mornings from 9 a.m. to 12 o'clock noon.

The library building also houses a club room in the basement and is complete with kitchen facilities. Area clubs and organizations use the room for various meetings at a nominal charge.

Visitors are always welcome to come brouse at the library and to make use of the facilities countians should take pride in, according to Mrs. Berry.

Library board members include Bruce Eckhardt, president; Mrs. Joe Monroe, secretary-treasurer, Dr. John X. Blender, John Biggans and Mrs. Stella Jones. There is a vacancy on the board, which is to be filled from the county commissioner's south district.

The whole land is made desolate because no man layeth it to heart.—Jeremiah 12:11.

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SAMPLE ORDINANCE

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ORDINANCE NO. _____

An ordinance providing for library service to the City of _____:

Be it ordained by the mayor and council of the City of _____:

Sec. 1. It is the desire of the governing boards of the cities and counties, hereinafter named, to provide good library service to the residents of the municipalities concerned;

Sec. 2. The City of _____, _____ County, Oklahoma, is located within the proposed district to be served by a multi-county library, to be established and created under the laws of the State of Oklahoma in accordance with the Oklahoma Library Code.

Sec. 3. In order to form such multi-county library district the governing boards of _____, _____, _____, and _____ Counties, or any combination thereof, must pass a resolution and each city of 2,000 population or more, according to the latest Federal census, must enact an ordinance creating such multi-county library district; and the governing boards of each of said counties must agree to submit to the residents of such county a proposition for a vote of the people for a library levy according to Article X, Section 10A, Oklahoma Constitution;

Sec. 4. The governing board of this library district shall consist of one member to be appointed by the governing body of each city of 2,000 population or more, according to the latest Federal census, and one member to be appointed by the board of county commissioners of each county.

Sec. 5. The City of _____, _____ County, Oklahoma, jointly with other cities and counties concerned hereby creates a library district to include any combination of two or more of the following counties: _____, _____, _____, and _____ and agrees to appoint one person to represent the City of _____, on the multi-county library governing board; provided that additional counties may be added to the district upon their application to the Oklahoma Department of Libraries Board.

Sec. 6. The City of _____, _____ County, Oklahoma is the possessor of the _____ Public Library and operates it for the benefit of the people of the City of _____.

Sec. 7. The _____ Public Library is hereby incorporated into the multi-county library in accordance with provisions of the Oklahoma Library Code; and the City of _____ will provide maintenance and necessary utility services of the library quarters and maintain its present operating budget until the two-mill library levy is passed or rejected by the voters of the county in an election called for that purpose under the provisions of Article X, Section 10A of the Oklahoma Cinstitution.

Sec. 8. The multi-county library is hereby requested to assume the responsibility of improving the _____ Public Library by supplementing the operating budget with personnel, books, films, equipment, and other library materials and services, with the understanding that after the successful vote of a library levy, the multi-county library will assume support of the _____ Public Library, except that the City of _____ will continue to maintain suitable quarters for the library and provide maintenance and necessary utility services of the library quarters and may from time to time at its option appropriate funds for the operation and/or improvement of said _____ Public Library.

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Sec. 9. That all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Sec. 10. That this ordinance shall be in force and take effect from and after its passage, approval and publication as required by law.

Passed by the Council this _____, Day of _____, 19____.

Approved by the Mayor this _____, Day of _____, 19____.

Attest:

_____, City Clerk _____, Mayor

SAMPLE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, the governing board of this library district shall consist of one member appointed by the governing body of each city of 2,000 population or more, according to the latest Federal census and, one member appointed by the board of county commissioners of each county; and

WHEREAS, _____ County, Oklahoma, is located within the proposed district to be served by such multi-county library to be established and created under the laws of the State of Oklahoma in accordance with the Oklahoma Library Code;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of _____, County, that said Board, jointly with the governing boards of the other cities and counties concerned, hereby creates a library district to include any combination of two or more of the following counties: _____, _____, _____, and _____; and agrees to appoint one person to represent the County of _____, on the multi-county library governing board; provided that additional counties may be added to the district upon their application to the Oklahoma Department of Libraries Board; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of _____ County, Oklahoma, that said Board will call an election for a vote of the people of _____ County for a library levy according to Article X, Section 10A, Oklahoma Constitution.

Done this _____ day of _____, 19___.

_____ County, Oklahoma

Board of County Commissioners

_____

Chairman

_____

Member

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_____ County, Oklahoma

Board of County Commissioners

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Chairman

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Member

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Member

Attest:

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County Clerk

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